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† ASSAM	3038	500	G. W. F. Browne	31st ,,
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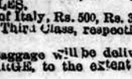

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M ARABIA	3544 J. Laird	28th Feb.
L HISPANIA	3380 G. Abrey	25th ,,
ML ASIA	3560 Wm. Russell	11th Mar.
L PERSIA	3547 R. Hutchison	29th ,,
ML BRITANNIA	3069 Thos. Mitchell	12th April.
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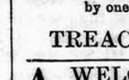

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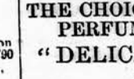

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W. WEBB,
Honorary Secretary.
Byculla Club, 11th December 1889.

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I. O'CALLAGHAN,
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Bombay, 30th November 1889.

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Rate per ton should be offered.
Full payment for the 200 tons ashes to be made promptly on acceptance of the Tender and delivery taken within one month from such acceptance. For future accumulation the payment to be made before taking delivery.
The Agent does not bind himself to accept the highest or any Tender.
E. S. LUARD,
Offg. Loco. & Carr. Supt.
Parel Works, 12th December 1889.

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2. The party or parties whose tenders may be accepted shall pay to the undersigned 25 per cent. of the purchase-money immediately on the acceptance of his or their tenders being notified to him or them, and shall pay the balance within one week from the date of payment of the advance, and shall remove the machinery from the aforesaid premises within four weeks from the date of acceptance of his or their tenders.
3. Particulars regarding the articles to be sold can be had on application to the undersigned at his office, at 3, Tamarind Lane, Bombay, care of Messrs. Ewart, Latham and Co., or to his Solicitors, Messrs. Craigie, Lynch and Owen, at their office, in the Standard Buildings, Hornby Road, Bombay.
J. I. MURRAY,
Trustee for the Debenture-holders of the Bombay Saw Mills Company, Limited.
Bombay, 13th November 1889.

NOTICE.
In the matter of the Estate of MAJOR GENERAL NASSAU LEES, deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given that all persons claiming against the Estate of WILLIAM NASSAU LEES, a Major General in Her Majesty's Indian Army, deceased, who died at 54 Grosvenor Street, London, W., on or about the 9th day of March 1889, and Letters of Administration of whose property and credits were granted on the 10th day of October 1889 by the High Court at Bombay to HAROLD ROBERTSON KING, are hereby required to send in their claims to the said Administrator at the offices of Messrs. King, King & Co. in The Standard Buildings, Hornby Row, Fort, Bombay, on or before the 31st day of December 1889, at the expiration of which time the administrator will hand over the assets to the person or persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice.
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Chrtd. and Shanghai..	60,000	3125	All	...	455
National Bank	37,330	250	125	5 do.	185

PRESS COMPANIES.

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Albert Ginning Co.....	100	500	500	Rs. 20	
Albert Press Co., Kurrachee	100	1,100	1,100	Rs. 100	710
Apollo Press Co. (small shares)	750	400	400	Rs. 20	260
Bellary	630	1,000	1,000	Rs. 20	405
Brent's Cawnpore P.	0	20	200	Rs. 16	105
Bombay Cotton Press.	100	5	125	Rs. 20	135
Colaba Press Co.	0	1,880	1,880	Rs. 55	365xd.
East India Press Co...	0	1,000	1,000	Rs. 130	1,225
English Press & Mfg.	400	250	..	Rs. 30	190
Fort Press Co.	150	8,500	8,500	Rs. 0	11,325
French Press Co.	300	500	500	Rs. 80	530
Harvey & Sabapthy	450	500	500	Rs. 25	445
Khangaum Cotton Press Co.....	240	450	All	Rs. 45	370xd
Manmar Manfg. Co....	1,400	250	250	Rs. 25	207½
Mercantile Press	2,500	125	125	Rs. 0	55
Mofussil Co	3,125	400	400	Rs. 50	420
New Barsi Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,350	500	500	Rs. 45	515
New Indian Press....	4,000	125	125	Rs. 11	81½
New P. of W. Press ..	600	400	All	Rs. 40	240
Sahastra Press Co. Ld., (Bellary)..	500	500	500	Rs. 50	50
Sind Press Co.	400	2,000	750	Rs. 50	470
Sind & Punjaub Cotton Press Co.....	120	1,000	1,000	Rs. 120	1,150
Soonee Press Co.....	200	500	50	Rs. 25	515
Vakhat Press.....	605	1,000	1,000	Rs. 60	575
Khangaum Manfg. Co	400		250		600

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Bombay Fire	600	1,000	1,000	Rs. 100	850
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Alfred Mfg. Co., Ld...	1,000	500	530	...	28½
Ahmedabad Ginning	700	1,000	1,000	..	..
Ahmedabad Mfg. & Calico Printing Co..	4,800	125	125	..	..
Ambika S. & M. Co..	600	1,000	1,000	Rs. 25	..
Alliance Cotton Mfg.	1,800	1,000	1,000	Rs. 20	550
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Bombay Cotton Mfg.	600	500	500	Rs. 25	405
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Bombay United S. & W. Co.	900	1,000	1,000	Rs. 3	680
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Coorla S. & W. Ld...	1,200	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	600
David Mills Co., Ld.	1,600	500	500	Rs. 25	560
Dhun Mills, Ld.	1,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 50	950
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Hyderabad Deccan S.	700	1,000	1,000	Rs. 20	715
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James Greaves Mill	1,320	500	500	Rs. 2	653
Jaffer Ali S. & W. Co., Ld., Original..	600	500	500		10
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Jubilee Mfg. Co Ld....		900	1,000	..	725
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Khandesh S. & W.	750	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	600
Khattow Makanjee S.	1,000	1,000	1,000	Rs. 40	560
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Presidency Mills Co..	745	1,000	1,000	Rs. 50	1,100
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Shahapore S.& W. Co .		10	1,000	Rs. 60	1,30
Sonderdas S. & W.	650	1,000	1,000	Rs. 30	425
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Swadeshi Mills Co, Ld	4,000	500	500	..	290
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ritania.....	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	610

MISCELLANEOUS.

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Badham Pile & Co., Ld.	750	150	150	p.ct	165
Bapty Co., Ld.	4,000	100	100	Rs. 14	14
Bombay Land & Building Co., Ld.....	625		185	Nil	56
Bombay Flour Mill Co.	750	500	500	10 p.c.	60
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Bombay & Burmah Trading Corporation.	1,000	2,500	165	Rs.	3,500
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Municipal Bonds ...		...	...	p.c.	106
Clydesdale Dyeing Co.	1,000	500	...	...	300
Cooper, Madon Ld ...	3,000	100	100	Rs.	5
Deccan Paper Mills ...	1,000	500	500	Nil	47
Delhi and Northern India Flour	1,500	200	200	...	180
Geyer & Co., Ld.	500	100	40	...	40
Indian Guaranteed Suretyship As.....	5,000	100	10	10 p.c.	11
Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mining Co., Limited	42,000	25	25		5½
Karrachee Lighterage	500	256	250	...	75
Kemp & Co., Ld.	4,000	200	175	Rs. 231	362
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Sandy & Co., Ld.....	4,000	100	180	Rs.	99
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Thacker & Co., Ld....	1,305	500	100	Rs. 85	1,270
Thacker & Co., Ld....	1,500	100		Rs. 10	130
Western India Flour	900	1	125	Nil.	35
M. Mody & Co ...					34
Bhownagger City P. & M. Co., Ld	550	250	250	Rs. 15	230½

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

BOMBAY, 17th December, 1889.

Means of observations at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·946
Temperature of the Air	74·7
Wet Bulb Thermometer	66·0
Dew Point	61·4
Relative humidity of Air	·640
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded=10).	1·8
Maximum temperature of air (read at 8 a. m., next day)....	84·2
Minimum do. do (read at 8 a.m.)	67·0
General Directions of Wind.*..E, ENE, NW, NNW, N. E.	
Movement of wind in 24 hours*	213

*From midnight to midnight.

The Italian Government is about to coin an African dollar to circulate in Abyssinia, in competition with the Maria Theresa dollars, which practically possess a monopoly in the circulation of that country. The old Bourbon money, which has long lain idle in the Italian Treasury, will be employed for the purpose, and as the new coin would not circulate in Italy, the consent of the other Powers of the Latin Union will not be required. The French have made a similar attempt to supplant the Mexican dollar in Indo-China, apparently with little success, as the amount coined at the end of 1888 was only 8,889,307 dollars—an insignificant sum for so large a population and territory

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to the taste. It produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from the pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentry and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers every, where at 1s ½ per bottle. Wholesale by the Anglo. American Drug Company, Limited, 33, Farringdon Road, London.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Election of Deputy Chairman, Chamber of Commerce, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Municipal Corporation, 3 p.m.
Adjourned Special General Meeting, Byculla Club, 6-15 p.m.
Switchback Railway.
Columbia Skating Rink, 5 to 7.30 p.m., and 8-30 to 11 p.m.
Novelty Theatre, Hudson's Surprise Party, 9 p.m.
Band on the Esplanade, 5-45 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived yesterday:—King Arthur (s), from Jedda; Hindoo (s), Mandvie, &c.; Mamelukе (s), Shields; and Arabia (s), Marmagoa.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday:—Karagola (s), for Katcyawar Coast and Karachi; Airy Passa (brig), Diu; and City of Carthage (s), Liverpool.

POSTAL NOTICE.—The next China and Australian mails per s.s. Clyde will be closed at the General Post Office to-morrow at 2 p.m.

A NEW YEAR PRESENT.—Messrs. Southwell and Austin, Limited, have distributed amongst their constituents a number of elegant morocco note cases as New Year souvenirs.

THE ARYA DNYAN VARDHAK SABHA.—This Sabha has elected Messrs. Lukhmidas Khimjee, J. P., Nagiudas Jamnadas Shroff, Gordhandas Gokuldas Tejpal, J. P., and Motilal Jamnadas Shroff, as delegates for the forthcoming National Congress.

THEFT AT A MARRIAGE.—Krishna Nanabhoy, residing at Girgaum, reports the theft of a silver plate, valued at Rs. 50, from his residence on the 15th instant, during the performance of a marriage ceremony, and when his house was full of guests.

THEFT AT CURRY ROAD.—Madhoo Bhagoo, a shopkeeper on the Curry Road, reports that during the night of the 16th instant, his shop was entered, and a box containing gold ornaments and cash of the collective value of Rs. 55 stolen therefrom.

THEFT AT THE SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME, COLABA.—Gunner Clarkson of No. 8 Mountain Battery, R. A., who is at present on furlough from Umballa, and residing at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Colaba Canseway, reports the theft of Rs. 43 in cash and a pocket-knife from his box, which he found broken open on his return to the Home on Tuesday.

GAMBLING AT TRIMBUCK PURUSHRAM STREET.—At the Girgaum Police Court yesterday, Inspector Chislett charged Mohan Jumialall and six others before Mr. Ryan, with having been found gambling in a common gaming-house at Trimbuck Purushram Street, with dice and money, on Tuesday afternoon last. The whole of the accused, on admitting the truth of the complaint, were convicted. Mohan Jumialall and three others, being old offenders, were fined Rs. 20 each, and the rest Rs. 10 each.

AN ABKARI OFFENCE.—Hormusji Babajee was yesterday placed before Mr. Richardson, at the Esplanade Police Court, charged with carrying liquor above the prescribed quantity between Callian and Bombay. Rustom Pestonjee, opium inspector, arrested him at the Victoria Station, and found the liquor in his possession. The man stated that it was only for his own private use, but as carrying it was contrary to law, he was fined five rupees.

STEALING FOUR HATS.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. Richardson, Gunnoo Jotsebah was charged with the theft of four fur caps, from a Jewish shop-keeper, named Benjamin Ezekial. Mr. Butterfield was in charge of the case. It appeared that on Tuesday the accused had taken the caps from behind the shop-keeper while he was serving some customers. He was convicted and sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment.

A YOUNG THIEF SEVERELY PUNISHED.—A lad of 14 was yesterday placed before Mr. Richardson, at the Esplanade Police Court, charged with the theft of a watch from a shopkeeper, named Bishrudin Peerbux. At noon on Tuesday, the accused came to him and asked for work and was engaged forthwith. About 5 o'clock in the evening, upon the pretence of going into the shop to drink water, the boy possessed himself of a watch, and went off. He was arrested in the bazaar, being recognised by the son of the shopkeeper. His worship sentenced him to receive 20 stripes with the birch.

MUSIC ON THE ESPLANADE.—By permission of Lieut. Col. the Hon'ble L. H. Bayley and the officers, the Band of the Bombay Volunteer Rifle Corps will play the following programme this evening, at 5-45 o'clock., at the Esplanade Bandstand:—

March.....The Celebrated Boulanger...L. C. Desormes
Overture...Egmont .....Beethoven.
Mazurka...La Jolie Patineuse .....Van Maanen.
Selection...Scotch Medley .....Cavallini.
Valse .....Stella Mia .....Aigrette.
Quadrille...Merry England.....Williams.
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

MAD FOXES IN THE SALSETTE TALUKA.—The appearance of foxes, suffering from *rabies*, in Candolim, Malvan, and Peinzer, of Taluka Salsette, has caused an intense alarm amongst those villagers, as hydrophobia and rabies are being rapidly propagated by those mad foxes. Within a short period that these foxes have been roaming the country several cases of hydrophobia and rabies have occurred. Of the cases from hydrophobia three have ended fatally, *viz.*, one male and one female at Malwan, and one female at Poinser. The danger seems to be a great one, and action on the part of the authorities seems to be absolutely necessary. The evil, which is, to all intents and purposes, on an increase, must be got rid of without any loss of time.

NEW FIRE TEMPLE AT BUDNEIRA.—The Honourable Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit, Kt, with a party of friends, yesterday evening left Bombay for Budneira, to be present on Saturday next at the ceremony of inaugurating the new fire temple, built in that town at the expense of the Parsees living there and elsewhere, and to which the honourable gentleman has contributed a handsome amount. On the following day the ceremony of laying the foundation-stone of a new Tower of Silence is also to be performed, and it is expected a large gathering of Parsee ladies and gentlemen will take place to witness the proceedings. At the Victoria Terminus station a number of friends of Sir Dinshaw met to bid him a safe journey to Budneira, and cheered him as the train left the station.

CONGRESS DELEGATES FROM HUBLI.—A correspondent writes:—The following gentlemen have been elected delegates from Hoobli to the forthcoming Congress at Bombay:—Rao Saheb Soobrao Ramchandra, pleader; Mr. Krishnarao Raghawendra Walwekar, pleader; Mr. Sitaram Narayen Guttal, pleader; Mr. Narayenrao Shriniwas Chitgoopi, merchant; Mr. Gopal Juvaji Desai, and Mr. Gopalrao, (Railway Department). Four more gentlemen had been elected, one of whom was a Lingayet, two Mahomedans, and one Kshatrya. These four, I am told, have been unavoidably detained from going to Bombay on account of some emergent private business of their own. Mr. Ramchandra Narayen Karkaray, of the Poona Sarvajanik Sabha, has come down to this place for the purpose of adding to the subscription collected. The sum collected up to date is close upon three hundred rupees.

OBITUARY.—On Monday, the 16th instant, the layman party of St. Peter's Bandora met with a severe shock in hearing the news of the death of Monica D'Mello, the wife of Peter D'Mello, which took place at 11 a. m. at her residence. From early part of the noon till the morning of the following day persons whom deceased's husband represented as their head and others of different caste and creed visited the house to pay their last tribute of honour. The funeral service commenced at 6 a. m. next morning, and the procession in two rows assisted by the confraternities and accompanied by ten clergy in the same order made an impressive appearance. There were more than 200 persons present and amongst them were the Very Rev. Father Fonseca, Vicar of Kalbadevi Cathedral; Father DeSilva, Vicar of Upper Mahim; Father Rodrigues D'Mello: Father Manrilo, Vicar of St. Peter's; Father Caetan, Vicar of St. Andre, and others. The funeral service concluded at 11 a.m. St. Peter's Band attended, playing along the route the *Dead March in Saul*. The deceased lady leaves 5 daughters and 3 sons, and a large number of relations to mourn her loss.

THE Comte and Comtesse d'Eu are believed to possess a very large fortune, which is safely invested in Europe. The Comte d'Eu, although a perfect noodle, is an exceedingly frugal personage, having inherited the miserly propensities of his exemplary grandfather, Louis Philippe.

REPORT ON THE VINTAGE OF 1889.

MESSRS. TREACHER AND CO., LD., have prepared a resume of the correspondence received from their various agencies upon the vintage which has now been concluded. Advices just to hand, have brought information respecting the later vintages, and have enabled the Company to include in their report a summary of the results obtained in the whole of the Continental wine-growing districts.

The wine crops have been even more variable than usual. The Champagne and Burgundy vintages may be both termed good, Claret and Port only moderate, whilst Sherries and the Rhine and Moselle have been very indifferent.

Champagnes.—During the earlier part of the Summer, there was every promise of a good vintage, both in quantity and quality, but owing to untoward circumstances later in the season, this expectation was not fulfilled as to quantity, although the quality appears to be all that could be desired.

As far as can be estimated at the present time, the wine appears to be firm and clean, with good body, its bouquet and flavour being particularly noticeable.

In consequence of undue competition amongst buyers, the new wine has been sold at much higher rates than have been hitherto obtained: in fact, so high have been the prices paid, that it is difficult to see how a profit can be realized; hence recent vintages will no doubt be enhanced in value.

Claret.—Our Agent's report of this vintage up to date is fairly satisfactory as to quality. A very dry Summer was succeeded by a sharp frost in September which injured the grapes in the lowlying districts; and the final collection of the fruit was accompanied by more rain than was required. In the Bas Medoc and the Palus, the districts of the ordinary growths, the outturn has been much below the average; on the other hand in the medium and higher grades the vintage is more favourable; but taking it as a whole the total yield will be considerably less than last year.

The new wines are clean, with good colour, although some samples appear a little thin; it is as yet, however, too early to give a definite opinion.

The 1884's are now very valuable wines; the 1887's are also much improved, especially the medium priced ones, they have preserved their splendid body and colour, whilst their early harshness has almost disappeared; of the 1888's some of the best are well worth buying, as there is every prospect of their eventually proving really good wines.

Burgundies.—Our Agent at Nuits advises that the Proprietors commenced the vintage about the middle of September, and it was completed under the most favourable auspices; the weather throughout having been all that could be wished for.

The new wines have fermented most evenly, and have been drawn off in good condition; they show all the best characteristics, viz., fair body, good colour, firmness of flavour, with a full percentage of vinosity.

There has been a fair vintage of Chablis, and the wines appear rather above the average in strength and character.

Cognac Brandies.—It is hoped that the depression which has so long existed, is to some extent passing away under the influence of more favourable circumstances. Merchants are undoubtedly taking a more hopeful view of the future, and this in itself is a healthy sign.

The vintage which has now been completed, was one of the latest on record; the total yield is less than was originally anticipated, in consequence of the frost in September having affected the fruit.

The quality is expected to be exceedingly good, and present prices are ruling rather high.

THE VINTAGE IN SPAIN AND PORTUGAL.

Sherry.—Our Agent at Jerez reports that the vintage has been an exceedingly poor one, and the wine made is generally very inferior. As several of the later vintages have been indifferent in both quantity and quality, it is more than probable that a rise in value will take place, and that at an early date.

Port.—Our advices from Oporto are to the effect, that the rain, which fell whilst the vintage was in progress, did considerable harm, although not so much as was expected. Good "Mostos" was obtained in some favored districts, but the average quality can only be termed moderate. The Vine suffered considerable damage, both from cold and disease, and as a result, the yield will be less than that of 1888.

Madeira.—The vintage according to the latest accounts to hand will be below the average in quantity, but the quality is very good.

Although there is an improvement in the consumption of this wine, it is surprising to find it is still so much neglected; the wine is in our opinion particularly suited for consumption in India, and should be in greater demand. In consequence of a series of good vintages, a really fine wine can be now bought at a very moderate price.

Marsala.—We have again to report that the vintage has been a good one, and with the large stocks already held, prices will rule low.

Rhine and Moselle Wines.—Our Agent writes:—There was some reason at the beginning of the Summer to hope for a good vintage wine, but unfortunately in September and October, the weather became very changeable, and the vintage was concluded under adverse conditions. Hence the yield of all growths is exceedingly small, but some of the higher class wine will, as regards quality, be satisfactory. Prices as a consequence are advancing rapidly.

Whiskies.—Our correspondent writes:—the total yield of barley is below the average, but the quality, however, is excellent for distilling purposes.

DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT AT ST. PETER'S BOYS' SCHOOL.

On Tuesday evening last the pupils of St Peter's Boys' and Girls' School gave a theatrical performance in the school at Mazagon. The school-room was crowded with the friends and supporters of the two schools. The room was tastefully decorated for the occasion with flags and bunting, and the exterior of the building was illuminated with Chinese lanterns. At the north end of the school-room a stage was constructed. The performance commenced at 8-30 p. m. by the curtain rising to the songs of the younger boys of the school. After which the popular play, in three acts, entitled "The Merchant of Venice," was performed by the elder pupils of the school. The following were the *dramatis personæ*:—

Antonio.....	Mr. J. Willmer.
Bassanio	Mr. Withey.
Shylock.....	Mr. Roosmale Cocq.
Portia.....	Miss Hildreth.
The Duke of Venice	F. Spencer.
Salarino.....	J. Glaskin.
Solanio	S. A. Murray.
Gratiano.....	H. Gidney.
Lorenzo	W. Andeen.
Launcelot Gobbo	W. Potter.
Old Gobbo.....	C. Lafrenais.
Nerissa	W. Dymond.
Jessica	S. Lafrenais.

The acting was very good, each taking their part without the slightest defect. Messrs Willmer, Withey, Cocq, and Miss Hildreth, each sustained their several *roles* very well, and the rest of the cast was fairly good. The pianoforte solos between the acts by Mr. W. Dymond, Mrs. H. Rean, and Miss K. Mackenzie were also well rendered. The entertainment concluded at 10-30 p. m. with "God Save the Queen," when the large company dispersed.

CHARGE OF DEFAMATION.

A CHARGE of defamation was yesterday heard at the Presidency Magistrate's Court, before Mr. C. P. Cooper, in which the complainants were Messrs. Allana Munji, the agents in Bombay of H. H. the Sultan of Zanzibar, and the defendant was Tura Daji. The accused was in the Sultan's service, but was deported from Zanzibar on account of sedition. While in Bombay he wrote a letter to the Sultan charging the complainants with dishonest dealings. The complainants at once took proceedings, and the accused was brought before the magistrate on the 25th ult., when as he had already engaged a passage to return to Zanzibar that day, as his term of deportation had expired, he was allowed to leave on deposits Rs. 3,000 as security. The Sultan meanwhile having wired to the complainants to let the accused go, they again wired to the Sultan. "Obeying your commands, but Tura must apologise." To this complainants got a cablegram—"I fully apologise." Mr. P. M. Mehta appeared yesterday for the complainants, and Mr. Brown for the accused. On Mr. Mehta stating to the Court that the accused had fully apologised, the magistrate allowed the case to be withdrawn.

DIVINE SERVICE.

BOMBAY YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Divine service will be held at Bandora this evening at half-past eight in Bandora House. All are cordially invited to attend.

IT is stated that during the recent tour of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria a marriage was arranged between His Highness and the Princess Marie d'Alencon, but that the project was afterwards abandoned, owing to the objection of the Orleans family to the issue of the union being brought up in the Orthodox faith.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 16.

Currie, Col, Bo, Poona Horse, on duty, from Poona.
Fowle, Capt, Bo, R A, on duty, from Aden.

DECEMBER 17.

Cunningham, Major, Bengal, R A, on leave from Rurki.

DECEMBER 18.

Windsor, 2nd Lt, Bengal, 1st Worc Regt, on duty, from Deolalee.
Lushington, Lt, Bengal, R A, from leave, from England.
Gage, Lieut, Bo, 2nd R Dub Fusrs, from leave, from England.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 18.

Hildebrand, Major, Bengal, R E, on duty, to Fort William.
Currie, Col, Bo, Poona Horse, on duty, to Sirur.
Mitchell, Capt, Bo, 14th Bo I, on duty, to Bhuj.
Harold, 2nd Lt, Bo, 1st Bn Worc Regt, on leave, to Secunderabad.
Adams, Surgn, Bo, Medical Staff, on duty to Deesa.
Sandeman, Lieut, Bengal, 17th Lancers, on duty, to Lucknow.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. THE HON'BLE L. H. BAYLEY, Commanding. Bo. Vol. R. Corps.
Bombay, 19th December, 1889.

1. The Battalion will parade on Saturday, the 21st instant, at 4-45 p.m. at the Cruickshank Road end of the Parade Ground. Red uniform, helmets, arms and accoutrements. Tram fares to and from parade will be paid on application to Company N C officers detailed for that purpose.

Cadets will be conveyed in Special Tram Cars on the 21st instant as follows:—

Byculla School and Byculla Scottish School—One double car leaves Victoria Gardens at 3-55 p.m.

St. Peter's School—One single car leaves P and O Dockyard at 4 p.m.

2. All regimental drills will be stopped from Monday the 23rd until Saturday the 28th instant, both days inclusive.

3. The offices at Head-quarters will be closed from Monday, 23rd, until Thursday, 26th instant.

4. The Commanding Officer has been pleased to grant Captain R A Willis leave of absence from the 20th inst. till the 5th proximo, both days inclusive.

5. The Coorla Range will be opened for practice etc., from the 23rd to 25th instant (inclusive), but no Instructors will be present during that period.

6. The following members having joined are taken on the strength of the Corps from this date, and posted to "A" Company:—No. 2852 Vol. C. H. Roberts, and No. 2853 Vol. C. H. Badger.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

7. There will be drill at the Riding School for recruits with swords this morning at 7 o'clock. Plain clothes.

8. The squadron will parade at the Kennedy Sea Face on Saturday the 21st instant at 7 a. m. All arms and accoutrements to be worn.

By order,
T. W. C. LEATHEM, Captain,
Adjutant, B. V. R. C.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

BATTERY ORDERS
By Major G. W. Roughton, Commanding Bombay Vol. Artillery.
Bombay, 19th December, 1889.

1. There will be Gun drill at Head-quarters this evening at 6-30; and to-morrow morning in the Arsenal compound at 7.

2. The Proficiency Class will meet at Head-quarters to-morrow evening at 6-30.

3. The Signalling Class will meet on the Esplanade, opposite the University Clock Tower, this morning and Saturday morning at 7.

4. There will be Class-firing on the Coorla Range to-morrow morning. Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 5-30 a.m. (local time).

5. On Saturday, the 21st instant, the Battery will parade at the Apollo Bunder at 4-15 p.m., and proceed to Middle Ground Fort for drill at the 9 in. and 12·5 in. R. M. L. Guns. Dress.—Uniform and helmets, without ball, badge or chin-chain.

6. Leave of absence is granted as follows:—

2nd Lieut L. Penny, from the 21st instant to the 10th January 1890 inclusive.

Gunner W Mulcahy, from the 20th instant to the 5th January 1890 inclusive.

By Order,
ARTHUR LEAKE, Captain,
Acting Adjutant, B. V. A.

DAILY IMPORTS.—DECEMBER 18.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Persia s—25 cases medicine, H Ballantine and Co.

FROM LONDON.

Bokhara s—11 bales writing paper, H Abdoollaly; 82 cases oilmanstores, medicine, &c, A Sumsoodin; 25 drums soft soap, E A Currim; 273 kegs paint- &c, D Goolam Hoosein; 1 case surgical instruments, F S Madon and Co; 11 cases provision, &c, Phillips and Co; 5 packages hook, Treacher and Co.

Maple Branch s—300 drums linseed oil, A H Chandabhoy.

Clyde s—20 cases Cologne water, M Dadabhoy.

Kangra s—15 cases oilmanstoras, A Sumsoodin; 3 bales paper, The *Times of India*; 100 drums linseed oil, T F Bengalee; 50 drums linseed oil, A K A Hossein; 100 drums linseed, E A Currim; 200 cases candles, N Hooseinally; 100 boxes candles, D Khanbhoy; 174 kegs paint, Vincent Soares; 5 bales writing paper, A Abdool Rahim and Co; 42 cases perfumery and medicine, Framjee Sands and Co.

FROM HAMBURG

Mirzapore s—7 packages needles, H S Habib.

Kangra s—4 cases medicine, S Hiptoola.

FROM MARSEILLES.

Singapore s—10 casks bird shot, A H Essoofbhoy; 4 hogsheads claret and 2 cases brandy, Treacher and Co.

FROM TRIESTE.

Imperatrix s—3 bales foolscap papers and 75 bales printing and writing paper, K Abool Hoosein; 11 bales printing paper, Gopal Naraen and Co; 5 bales papers, A H Abdoolally; 16 cases glassware, R Ditmar and Co; 22 bales writing paper, A H Essoofally; 192 bales writing paper, M A M Surufally; 1 case stationery, A K Tyabally.

FROM CHARANTE.

Bokhara s—75 cases brandy, Sorabji Cowasji; 50 cases brandy, D Cowasji.

FROM ANTWERP.

Bokhara s—100 barrels alizarine dye, C Ramjee.

Kangra s—55 cases sugar, A Ahmedjee; 150 cases window

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS

The scale for these Advertisements is as follows:—Not exceeding 3 lines, Re. 1; each succeeding line, As. 8. No trade advertisements are admitted under this scale.

KIDD AND SHADBOLT'S" WHISKEY as supplied to the Clubs. A fresh shipment just received by PHIPSON & Co., Bombay Agents.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS! Just arrived from China and Japan an entirely new Stock of NOVELTIES of Artistic design and finish.—EBRAHIM ADAMALLY, China Bazaar, Meadow Street, Fort, Bombay.

TEAS OF THE SEASON.—In fancy boxes suitable for Christmas and New Year Presents, at Rs. 1-1, 1-2, and Annas 11 per lb.—MORTON, MAJU and Co., No. 92, Church Gate Street, Bombay.

JUST RECEIVED—LADIES' PARASOLS with long handles, new shapes, latest Novelties, Work Baskets, Plush Companions, Writing Cases, Jewel Cases, Plush Bags, &c., &c.—SHROFF BROTHERS.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.—MEETINGS of the Corporation will be held here on THURSDAY, the 19th instant, at 3 and 3-15 p.m. respectively.

FOR SALE, a handsome fast-trotting iron-grey WALER, 15-3. Price Rs. 700. Can be seen at D. N. VAKIL'S Veterinary Stables, Gowalia Tank.

XMAS and NEW YEAR'S CARDS of thousands of varieties, from the best makers. Thousands sold daily. Price from one pice upwards.—WRIGHT and Co., Mint Road, Fort.

JUST RECEIVED—A large assortment of Christmas and New Year's Cards, Plush, Velvet, Silk, Satin, Ivory, Hand-paint on Porcelain and Ivory, from half anna to Rs. 30 each.—VIENNA CONFECTIONERY, 23, Church-gate Street, Fort, Bombay.

JUST RECEIVED, a great variety of English and French Confectionery, fancy Boxes with Sweets and Chocolate, from annas 6 to Rs. 25; Chocolate and Chocolate Creams from Re. 1 ans. 8 to Rs. 2 a lb; Scents, Toilet Powders, Ladies' Companions, 'Xmas Crackers, from ans. 10 to Rs. 5 per box; Toys, Dolls, &c., &c., &c. Also Ices, Wines and Spirits of the best quality, to be had at the VIENNA CONFECTIONERY, 23, Church Gate Street.

AUCTION SALE of fresh Arab Horses at the stables of Shaik Esa bin Curtas, Bellasis Road, Byculla, to-day, THURSDAY, at 2 p.m.

FOR SALE—Fresh Choice and Luscious Samrna Figs. Apply to Mr. J. Fachiri, Golowkeeper, No. 1016, Apollo Street.

CHRISTMAS CARDS, New Pictorial Books, Books for Gifts and Prizes, Scripture Pictures, &c., &c. Issued S. P. C. K. Depot, 21 Elphinstone Circle, Fort (opposite *Times of India*).

FOR SALE—Five Self-acting Twist Mules, 1 3-8in. gauge, 636 spindles each; Six Self-acting Weft Mules, 1 1-8in. gauge, 300 spindles each. For particulars apply to the MANAGER, Alexandra Mill, Chinchpoogly."

RIPON HOTEL, MAHABLESHWAR.—Captain J. Davies (Lancers) says:—"I have found the rooms most comfortable and clean; food very good. I shall have great pleasure in recommending this Hotel to any one I know."

SUPERIOR CEYLON TEA at Re. 1-8 per lb. Superior Kangra Valley Tea at Re. 1-6 per lb. Fresh ground Mocha Coffee at Re. 1-4 per lb. Superior Trichinopoly Cigars at Re. 1-14 per 100, and Superior Java Cigars at Rs. 3 per 100. A trial earnestly solicited at DANTRA & Co., 32, Church Gate Street, Fort, Bombay. Price list on application.

WANTED, a First-class EUROPEAN ENGINEER, for a Cotton Press up country. Apply, stating salary required, with copies of testimonials, to "No. 1," care of this office.

WANTED, a First-class Competent ENGINEER for a Cotton Mill in Bombay. Apply with testimonials, stating terms, to C., care of this paper.

WANTED, an OVERSEER for the Surat City Municipality. Salary Rs. 60 per mensem. Passed Overseer or L. C. E. preferred. Apply with testimonials to the Secretary, Surat Municipality.

A YOUNG WIDOW LADY, residing at a Winter Seaside Resort in the South of England, is anxious to receive two or three little Anglo-Indian CHILDREN in her private family to board and educate. The greatest care would be given to both moral and physical training, with every comfort of a well-appointed home. Good references. For further particulars, etc., apply "P.," care of this office.

TO LET, whole or part of Floor in best part of Rampart Row, Offices or Dwellings. Apply 1000, care of this office.

TO LET, from 1st January, 1890, a very desirable BUNGALOW, on the Ridge, Malabar Hill, now occupied by Brigade Surgeon W. DYMOCK. For particulars apply to "R.," care of this paper, or on the premises.

TO BE OPENED on the 20th December, at LANOWLI, the LANOWLI GYMKHANA HOTEL, newly built, with every convenience of latest designs. Excellent table. Goods view and westerly breeze. Under European management.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 18.

CONSOLS and Indian Sterling Loan both declined ¼ per cent. in London yesterday, say to 97⅜ and 107⅛, respectively. Bar Silver was ⅛d. lower at 43 7/16d. per oz., and Rupee Securities were ⅛ per cent. lower for Fours, and ¼ per cent. down for 4½ cents. at £68¾ for the former, and £71⅛ for the latter. In Paris, 87½ was the rate for French Rentes *ex coupon*; and Exchange on London was a centime higher, at frcs. 25·21½.

The Wheat market remained quiet, and the quotations wired by Reuter show a decline of ½d. per cental in No. 1 Soft White, White Delhi, and Soft Red on the spot in Liverpool. Linseed is called easier, but Bombay seed was unchanged in value, both on the spot and to arrive. Prices of Rapeseed show no change in any description.

Cotton in Liverpool became dull again yesterday, and the total Sales reached only 8,000 bales, of which, however, 1,200 were Surats, the market for these being called quiet but steady. 5 9-16d. remained the rate for spot Mid.-American, and quotations for East Indian Cotton come quite unaltered; but American Arrivals were 1-32d. lower, in all positions. The day's Imports were 47,000 bales. The Manchester market was quiet but steady, and the quotations wired show no change either in Goods or Yarn.

In New York the price of ready Mid.-Uplands receded 1-16 cent., returning to the old quotation of 10½, while March Futures were four points lower at 10·15 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were lighter than last year's on the corresponding day, though heavier than for the year before, and the figures from the opening of the season now compare as follows with those of the two preceding years:—

	1889.	1888.	1887.
Tuesday's Receipts ...	48,000	60,000	39,000
Three days' do. ...	138,000	144,000	115,000
Since 1st September ...	3,728,000	3,262,000	3,693,000

A fair demand was felt in our local market for the staple to-day, and the reported purchases sum up about 2,500 bales of ready new Bengals and Oomra varieties. The feeling, however, was quite in sympathy with the news from the ruling markets, and prices show no quotable change. The principal transactions were in Bengal, at Rs. 177 to Rs. 187; Khangaum Ginned at Rs. 216½-20; Akola Ginned, at Rs. 220; and Julgaum, at Rs. 205½-6; but some Dhulia was also taken at Rs. 197 per candy.

WHEAT.—There has been a rather steadier feeling in this market, but the volume of business has not become greater, nor has the price of any description changed.

SEEDS have also been taken to a small extent for export, demand continuing restricted at current rates; but the feeling remains steady in presence of small supplies, and dealers are firm in their pretensions, especially for Gingelly.

The Receipts of produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	7,412 bales.
Wheat	20,088 qrs.
Linseed	1,317 ,,
Rapeseed	1,288 ,,
Gingelly	9,685 ,,
Ground Nuts	2,549 ,,

FREIGHTS are steady, and demand is improving, but quotations are no higher. The Knight Templar (s), has been fixed at 20s. to load for two ports early next month; and the Europa (s), in the same position, has been taken up for one port at 20s. 6d. per ton.

EXCHANGE.—Bank demand paper is 1-32d. lower, but otherwise yesterday's rates have continued to rule, though the tone of the market has been quiet, not to say flat, and business all round is dull, with no prospect of improvement till after the approaching holidays. We quote:—

Bank Bills on Demand	...1s. 4 27-32d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	...1s. 4 13-16d.	,,
Do. 3 months' sight	...1s. 4 31-32d.	,,
Credits do.	...1s. 5 1-16d.	,,
Francs	...1-79⅜	,,

GOVERNMENT PAPER has been weak again, and the cash price of Fours, which was quoted in the earlier part of the day at 98⅜, declined to the Calcutta quotation of 98½, at which it closed, with the next account at 98½, and the February settlement at 98 1-16. For the other Paper 102½ is still nominally quoted.

SHARES are quiet generally, and almost the only changes which we have to note this evening are again in Cotton Spinning shares, which continue to more downward, Khatao Makanji being Rs. 15; Luckmidas Khimji and Manockji Petit, Rs. 12½; Bellary and Central India, Rs. 10; Queen, Rs. 5; and Anglo-Indian Rs. 3 lower at our revised quotations.

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

DECEMBER 18.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

Great Britain.—Via Teheran, interrupted. Via Turkey perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
Continent of Europe.—Via Teheran, interrupted. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
America.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.
Australia.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
China.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
Teheran route interrupted west of Kertch.
Line Bangkok-Saigon interrupted.
Mails for Persian Gulf except Gwadur, Jask and Muscat, close at Kurrachee on Thursday, the 19th instant, at 12-30 p.m.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

LATEST dates of foreign messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 18th Dec. 1889.

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission.* Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	...	...	...	...	...
Teheran	...	...	...	...	...
Suez	18	7	18	1	10

* Difference in longitude allowed for.

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m. on 18th Dec. 1889.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time H.	M.
From Calcutta ...	2	53	...	4
,, Kurrachee ...	...	22	...	1
,, Madras ...	...	53	...	2

THERMOMETER READINGS.

TUESDAY NIGHT, DEC. 17.
10 p.m. ... 72·3

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 18.
6 a.m. ... 69·6
10 a.m. ... 74·9
2 p.m. ... 84·8
4 p.m. ... 80·3

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORT.

SIMLA, Dec. 18.—The barometer is falling in the centre and south of the Peninsula, and locally at Rawalpindi. Elsewhere the pressure is increasing, changes being moderate or slight at all stations. Depression, which lay off the Madras coast yesterday, has apparently moved to the west, south-westward, and centre, apparently close to and just to the south of Negapatam. Winds have consequently shifted to north-eastward of most parts in the Madras Presidency, and to the east-south-east of Negapatam and other parts of India. There has been a little change in temperature, which has generally risen, except in Burma and in the extreme south of the Peninsula, and the mean is above the normal average, except in Burma, Bombay, and Madras. The weather is unsettled over the Peninsula. Four and half inches of rain have fallen at Negapatam, one and three-quarters at Trichinopoly, one and a quarter at Madras, and slight showers at Cuddapah, Coimbatore, and Madura. Further rain is probable over this district.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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EUROPE.

DEATH.

ADAMS—November 26, at Kingston Hill, Surrey, Beatrice Julia, daughter of General Henry Augustus Adams, Bombay Infantry.

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

PLAYFAIR—December 18, at the New Oriental Bank, Bombay, the wife of Geo. W F Playfair, of a daughter, still-born.

MARRIAGE.

GRAY—TURNER—At the Mission Church, Girgaum, Bombay, by the Rev R A Squires, J Temperley Gray, L R C P, London, M R C S, to Annie, eldest daughter of Johnson Turner, Hexam, Northumberland.—No cards.

The Bombay Gazette

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1889.

THE Minute on Abkari which Lord Reay has recently drawn up in response to a paragraph in the address of the Presidency Association is too long to be reprinted in full, and perhaps too technical to be read with ease by any but those who have made a special study of the question. It will almost suffice here to say that the Governor wrestles vigorously with Mr. Caine's statistics, shows serious flaws in his data of comparison, and invites to the conclusion that the increase in the recorded consumption of country liquor during five years was ten per cent. only, and not forty per cent. as Mr. Caine had calculated. We must leave the Member for Barrow to justify his own arithmetic, and pass on to refer to at least one important declaration which Lord Reay makes in the Minute before us. The declaration is that the farming system must be improved until it can be wholly abandoned. The phrase is not perhaps happily chosen, for abandonment scarcely seems to come in the most natural succession to improvement. His Excellency evidently means that such reforms in the farming system as are effected must have as their ultimate aim to "reform it altogether." It is necessary to point out that, partial and inconclusive as certain changes that have lately been made in the department may be, they certainly point the way to radical changes which when they come will be welcomed. The districts affected by these changes are the districts around which criticism and censure have so freely played during the past three years—those namely of Thana and Kolaba. Some salient points in their Abkari history have been frequently referred to in these columns. It will be remembered that two years ago a sudden change was made in the conditions under which the spirit farms in these districts were let. It was found that under the system which then prevailed it would be impossible for the contractors to sell honestly at the price fixed by Government without making a loss. The system was therefore altered, and in the new contracts nothing was said about the price at which liquor was to be sold, nor was the vicious principle of a minimum guarantee adhered to. The principal feature of the new plan was that the farms were given to the approved tenderers who offered the highest percentage over and above the still-head duty on the spirits issued to them from the public distillery.

The plan was adopted by Government, probably with as many doubts as to its efficiency as those to which independent critics gave expression as soon as it was announced. It was felt that competition would force the additional percentage to an unduly high rate, that the price of liquor would be pushed up to a figure at which it would be prohibitive to the poorer class of consumers, that incentives to illicit distillation would at once be created, and that the farmer, carrying on his traffic at a loss, would not as usual co-operate with the department for the prevention of frauds on the revenue. Mr. Trevor, who succeeded to the acting Commissionership of Abkari soon after these changes were made, approached the question with noticeable fairness and openness of mind, and gave candid expression to his misgivings. "The weak point," he wrote, "is that the percentage is always likely to be too high, and that the farmer may find he cannot sell at prices which cover it. In that case it becomes his interest to curtail his transactions under the contract as much as possible, and either to deal in illicit liquor himself under cover of his monopoly, or, if he is too honest for that, to leave the public to supply themselves as best they can." Mr. Trevor's and other people's previsions on the point have been amply justified. Not only was there in the year during the latter half of which the percentage surplus system was first tried a falling off of nearly a lakh in the revenue from country liquor in the Thana district, and one of about Rs. 13,000 in Kolaba, but rumours began to be current of a large increase in illicit consumption in both districts. This was made the subject of special inquiry, and though the results have not been made public it is understood that a serious prevalence of illicit distillation was proved. As a natural correlative of this drunkenness increased in some of the Thana talukas in a very marked degree. The experiment, however, was not abandoned until proofs of its failure had matured. These ultimately became so convincing that when the Government resolved a few months ago to let the new contracts on an entirely new basis they thought it expedient to forego for the last three weeks of the old contract in the Thana district the percentage additional to still-head duty. The new contract, which began on the first of last August, constitutes a new departure of a very serious kind, and one the results of which will deserve to be watched with great care, as they will have an important bearing upon the Abkari policy of the Presidency in the future. There has been a regrouping of farms somewhat different from the arrangement in the old contracts. But the important point is that the auction system is done away with. There will be no more bidding by farmer against farmer, no more forcing up of the prices to a figure at which the farmer must either give short measure or bad liquor, or at which it will pay him almost as well to leave the trade in the hands of smugglers as to carry it on himself. The contractor has been chosen not by competition but by selection. By a careful process of exhaustion Mr. T. D. Mackenzie, who was Acting Commissioner of Abkari during the rains, eliminated from the list of tenderers all who were obviously unfit to be trusted with a contract, and having thus removed the worst men from the list he set about the task of finding out who were the best, and to these he gave the contracts for each district. The process is not theoretically the best that could be chosen, for it will always expose the official who exercises it to the charge of favouritism. But those who have severely censured the auction system must not be too particular in judging of the apparatus which, in candid acknowledgment of past mistakes, the Government have now put in its place. Besides this the still-head duty has been reduced from two rupees per gallon to one rupee eight annas, the chief purpose of this, we suppose, being to remove the inducement to illicit distillation that a high rate of duty involved. But there will be no extra percentage to pay, so that it seems an open question whether the Government have not gone a little too far in their anxiety to remove the consumer from temptation to unlawful devices.

It remains now to point out that in removing from the Abkari arrangements of the two Collectorates some of the worst features of the former regime, Government have in name revived what is as bad at least as the worst of them. In name, we say, with all willingness to allow the possibility of accepting the principle of a minimum guarantee and yet of avoiding all its practical evils. Let us see the form in which a minimum guarantee has found its way back to the Abkari arrangements of the Thana and Kolaba Collectorates. "Government," Lord Reay says in his Minute, "have finally declined to accept any increment which competition might yield, the duty has been fixed at a specific rate, and as a safeguard against illicit distillation it has been decided to require a guarantee of a minimum revenue from still-head duty equal to an amount lower than that which may be taken as the normal consumption." The minimum, we understand, has been fixed upon a basis calculated upon the average actual receipts of the past ten years, and care has been taken to keep it low. So low, indeed, has it been fixed that contractors have offered to guarantee upon some of the farms a payment in still-head duty far in excess—in one case a hundred per cent.—of the minimum for which the Government have demanded a guarantee. We must wait for experience of the new arrangements before pronouncing upon them one way or the other. At all events, without in any degree abating our objections to the minimum guarantee system as it has worked hitherto and still is worked in other districts of this Presidency, we shall not be carried away by the mere name into a condemnation of what may in substance prove very different. If the minimum for which a guarantee is stipulated is greatly below the natural revenue from still-head duty, we may wonder why Government insist upon a stipulation which has no real influence upon the revenue, but we shall not feel called upon to apply to it all the harsh sayings which the same principle, when viciously applied, has evoked. The minimum guarantee continues to be embodied, in a more effective fashion, in the Abkari arrangements of many other districts. There it still acts upon the Abkari farmer, not as the ordinary commercial incentive to make profit acts in the case of any other form of contract, but often as a daily reminder to him that if he would avoid heavy loss at the end of his bargain he must push his trade by fair means or foul. If the experiment in Thana and Kolaba succeeds, all this will come to an end in these less favoured districts, as well as in Surat, which indeed is only awaiting the conclusion of certain arrangements with the Baroda Government—whose territory is much intermixed with British territory in that district—for the experiment to be tried there. If a legitimate trade can be fostered under these new arrangements—one under which neither the people nor the revenue will be made to suffer—no one will more gladly approve of them than those who have criticised the past errors of the Abkari Department. For no one has been good enough to imitate the anti-opium crusaders by advocating a grant from the English Exchequer to make up for whatever may be lost to the Indian revenue by Abkari reforms. Government badly want the seventy-five lakhs a year which they derive in this Presidency from country liquor, and so long as they get it fairly few people will make serious complaint.

THE Commercial *Attaché* to the British Embassy at Teheran, Mr. E. F. G. Law, has contributed an article to the *Nineteenth Century* which is worth the attention of men in business in Bombay or elsewhere, who desire to have a share in the work of opening up the Shah's dominions to trade. While the Shah was in England he inspected all the industrial establishments which he could find time to visit, and showed that he took an active personal interest in the appliances in use. He is a shrewd, practical man, with nothing of the visionary. Mr. Law warns all concerned not to expect instant progress or an industrial revolution; for, the Shah understands very well that his subjects would never submit to be civilised despotically, as Peter the Great civilised the Russians. When replying to an address presented to him in England, in which his Imperial Majesty was reminded that roads and other communications are much needed in Persia, he very pertinently replied that the communications which he so much admired in England were not established before trade had reached a great development, and that in Persia trade is in its infancy, but will grow, and the communications will grow with it. On the other hand, Prince Dolgorouky, the late Russian Minister in Persia, is eager to force on the development of railways in the north of Persia, and is unwearied and not altogether unsuccessful in urging on the Government measures calculated to hasten matters. Mr. Law urges self-reliance on the part of those who go to Persia to create business, and advises them not to put too much faith in concessions and Government help. Nothing can be done in a hurry; but with perseverance a good deal may be done. He instances the case of a foreigner who spent a year in Teheran, trying to introduce sewing machines, but sold none. Immediately after he left there was a demand for them, and they are now employed in hundreds in the large towns. Probably the unrequited exertions of the first pioneer of sewing machines led to the success of those who followed in his footsteps; he sowed the seed, but did not wait to reap the harvest. The writer suggests a combined agency for English cutlery and fire-arms, which sell readily in Persia but are never kept in stock. Some Bombay carriage-builder might act upon the hint that there is room in Teheran for such a man, who could do light ironwork and repairs. Spades, axes, and other hardware of English make are not to be obtained. The markets are well supplied with cotton goods, but there is room for high class textile products. It is also suggested that the drying and packing of fruit, and the erection of oil and flour mills may give scope for foreign energy.

IT would be difficult to predicate of any important educational controversy that it is of purely local interest and application. While Lord Reay, for example, has to complain that in the Bombay Presidency the colleges are being crowded with students insufficiently prepared for the higher courses, and while the University is beset with clamorous suppliants for making things easier for candidates, precisely the same phenomena are being witnessed in Europe. We hear from Brussels that in Belgium as in Germany the Universities and the learned professions are being overcrowded, and that if a vacancy for a clerkship of any kind with a salary of only a hundred francs a month were announced in one of the newspapers, dozens of so-called barristers would at once apply for it. This is attributed mainly to the law of 1876 which rendered matriculation in the Belgian Universities so easy as to make the preparatory studies for it almost illusory. If Lord Reay should happen to pass through Brussels on his way home he might with advantage to the cause of higher education in Belgium repeat *verbatim* on some Brussels platform a very considerable portion of the address which he gave at Poona last week. This, for example: "The best friends of higher education in (Belgium) are not those who take as their test of its progress the number of students who pass examinations, or the multiplication of colleges and high schools, but those who look to the constant improvements of existing institutions, and a gradual but determined raising of standards."

KING OSCAR of Sweden and Norway showed his appreciation of Oriental Scholarship when he this summer entertained in his two capitals the Congress of Orientalists. We seem to see a continuation of his hospitality in the gracious exercise of Royal favour which has converted an estimable and accomplished Bombay journalist into a Knight of the Order of Gustavus Vasa. The congratulations which our colleague is sure to receive upon his entrance into the illustrious Order need not, therefore, be accompanied with the inquiry which the presence of the fly in the amber evoked. It is as easy to understand "how he got there," as it is natural to hope that he may for many years to come adorn and be adorned by the *Cordon Vert* of the Order. Apart from the recognition of personal merit which is involved in this graceful act of King Oscar, it is pleasant to see in it another illustration of the thoughtful appreciation which Continental potentates have for some years past shown for some of the more eminent of our Bombay citizens. To say nothing of the ever-widening circle of the Knights of St. Gregory, for which the Pope is constantly claiming recruits in our midst, we have now, thanks to the favour which the King of Portugal has long been accustomed to show to the medical profession of this city who claim through Goa a connection with his Kingdom, a chivalry as formidable in its numbers as it is conspicuous for its accomplishments. A Bombay *Debrett* will be necessary soon to enable us to distinguish between our Sir Henries, as well as between the Portuguese Knights of the Conception of our Lady of Villa Vicosa, and the Chevaliers of the Swedish Order of Gustavus Vasa.

THE arrangements in connection with the fifth National Congress, to be held in Bombay on the 26th inst., are approaching completion. The reception pavilion is nearly ready, and will provide accommodation for 3,000 persons. About 2,000 delegates are expected to be present at the sittings of the Congress.

SURGEON CRIMMIN was last evening entertained to a complimentary dinner in the Apollo Bunder Rooms by members of the Bombay Medical Staff, who had invited him there to congratuate him on his being awarded the Victoria Cross for the gallantry he had shown in tending the wounded on the battle-field at great risk to his own life. Surgeon-General Pinkerton presided, and there were present twenty-three members to do honour to their gallant guest.

AT LEAST a dozen triumphal arches, erected by the leading communities in Rangoon, are being put up in honour of the approaching visit of Prince Albert Victor. The illuminations and fireworks at the Royal Lakes, undertaken at their own cost by Messrs. Shone and Ault, the Municipal drainage contractors, are it is said, likely to be superior to anything of the kind ever seen in Burma. All the material has been imported from England. Messrs. Shone and Ault are said to make an enormous profit of the Municipality who have adopted their drainage system.

NAWAB MUNIR-UL-MULK will probably give a dinner to Lord Connemara during his stay in Hyderabad about the 1st of January.

THE revenue of Upper Burma for the current year is expected to reach one crore, though the original estimate was only 88 lakhs. That of Lower Burma will approach three crores, thus giving a handsome surplus on the whole Province

IN Lower Burma the rice crop promises very well. In Upper Burma the prospect is generally good, but the crop is short in parts of Bhamo, Shwebo, Minbu, Yamethin, and Pyinmana. The food-supply is not likely to become insufficient in any district in the province.

ABOUT one thousand remissions of sentences upon prisoners from Upper Burma have been granted during the last five months.

MR. QUINTON will visit Calcutta during January if the Bengal Government consider it necessary to consult with him then regarding the course of events in the Lushai country.

THE Bengal Presidency Rifle Association's meeting at Meerut was opened on Monday morning by the Commander-in-Chief.

A PARTY of Congress-Wallas from Secunderabad proposes to go to Wadi to cheer the Madras delegates on their way to the Congress at Bombay.

THE residents of Poozoondoung, says the *Rangoon Times*, have resolved upon forming a Vigilance Committee with the object of defending those whom the police may oppress by way

TELEGRAMS.

[CENTRAL NEWS TELEGRAMS.]

EXECUTION OF BUSHIRI BY THE GERMANS.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

Bushiri has been captured and executed after a court-martial, at which Major Wissmann presided.

DARING ROBBERY OF DIAMONDS IN LONDON.

A postman has been garotted in Hatton Garden and robbed of letters and packets containing diamonds, valued at twenty thousand pounds.

RECALL OF THE PERSIAN MINISTER IN LONDON.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

The Persian Minister in London has been recalled in consequence of a dispute with the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

THE EMPRESS OF BRAZIL'S DIAMONDS.

There is no truth in the report of the robbery of the ex-Empress of Brazil's diamonds.

INAUGURATION OF A HOSPITAL BY LADY REAY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 18.

Lady Reay arrived at Ahmedabad this morning, H. E. the Governor also arriving few hours after. The Governor had a busy day of it, receiving visits of Chiefs, of whom there are several in Ahmedabad at present. In the evening Lady Reay opened the Jubilee Hospital. A large mandap, tastefully decorated, had been erected in front of the hospital, and here some three thousand of the leading inhabitants of Ahmedabad assembled to witness the ceremony. Lady Reay, accompanied by H. E. the Governor and the Duchess of Connaught, arrived at the punctual hour, and was conducted to the dais by several gentlemen who had been appointed by the managing committee Kavishvar Dalpatram Dayabhai, C. I. E., the blind poet of Gujerat, recited some verses of his own composition in a very effective manner. In it he stated that those who did benevolent deeds on earth were blessed. An address was then read to Lady Reay, stating that Mr. Runchorelal Chotalal, not only paid for the construction of the building, but undertook to defray half the cost of maintaining a lady doctor for the first four years. It went on to say that the hospital would be utilized for the training of nurses and dhais. Lord Reay, replying for Lady Reay, returned thanks for the kind things that had been said of them, and praised the action of Mr. Runchorelal Chotalal, and said he hoped that when his successor came it would be the rule for philanthropic gentlemen, not only to build charitable institutions, but to endow them.

THE INDIAN RAILWAY BILL.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 18.

The Indian Railway Bill is to be taken up at the end of this month; all information necessary for legislation having been now collected.

A BRITISH OFFICER LENT TO THE KASHMIR STATE.

The Kashmir Council made known to the Viceroy during his visit to Lahore, their desire to have the services of a British officer to assist them in their military administration, which has long been in an unsatisfactory state. The services of Colonel Neville Chamberlain, of the Commander-in-Chief's staff, have been accordingly placed at the disposal of the Durbar for a period of two years. His position will be that of a servant of the State, being exactly similar in this respect to the Military Secretary of the Mysore Government.

THE ZHOB EXPEDITION.

In connection with Sir Robert Sandeman's approaching visit to the Zhob country, it has been thought advisable to revive the old plan of opening the Gomal Pass and pacifying it by negotiations with the tribes from the mouth of the Zhob Valley to where it debouches into the Dera Ismail Khan District. Mr. Bruce, Deputy Commissioner of that district, has been allowed to join Sir Robert Sandeman's party for the purpose of conducting these negotiations, and the young Nawab of Tonk and a few other native gentlemen of the district have been permitted to accompany him.

ACCIDENT ON THE BENGAL-NAGPUR RAILWAY.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 18.

The E. I. Railway Company took over the management of the Bengal-Nagpur Railway from Asansole to Purulia, on the 14th instant. Yesterday an accident occurred to the down passenger train which was derailed at Bakulia Station. The engine, it appeared, went on the wrong line, and afterwards on the bare ground, where it got jammed up. The engine was seriously damaged, and the waggon next to the engine, loaded with indigo, was smashed. The brake-van next to it got on the top of it. The saloon carriage of the Agent, Bengal-Nagpur Railway Company, attached to it, was slightly injured. Fortunately there was no loss of lives.

ADMIRAL FREMANTLE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

MADRAS, Dec. 18.

The Admiral landed officially to-day and examined the harbour works.

THE MADRAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ELECTIONS.

The Chamber of Commerce has re-elected the Hon'ble J. A. Boyson as Chairman, and Mr. Turnbull as Vice-Chairman.

MORE ADDRESSES TO MR. BRADLAUGH.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

SHOLAPUR, Dec. 18.

At a special meeting of the standing committee yesterday eight more delegates were elected, and a draft address of welcome to Mr. Bradlaugh, M.P., adopted.

PRESIDENCY RIFLE MEETING.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Dec. 18.

The Seventeenth Meeting of the Bombay Presidency Rifle Association was brought to a close this evening. General Solly-Flood, commanding the district distributed the prizes. The prize-winners were paraded on the ground opposite the Mess tent, and the General addressed them as follows:—

"Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Soldiers,—On the opening day of this Rifle Meeting H. R. H. the Commander-in-Chief, in addressing the assembled competitors, was pleased to say that he thought it promised to be one of the most successful ever heard here. On the closing day I am happy to be able to announce that his Royal Highness's expectation has been fully realised, and that the 17th Bombay Presidency Rifle Meeting has been the most successful one yet heard. The number of competitors has been larger than ever and the shooting, both individual and collectively has been of a higher standard, which I am very glad to notice as showing that improvement in this important matter is steadily going on throughout the army. To show this I will quote only two instances. The Presidency Gold Medal was won in 1887 with a score of 446; in 1888 with a score of 464; and this year with a score of 484. I congratulate Private Pocock and the Royal Fusiliers on obtaining this honourable distinction. The Squad Trial Stakes for the Native Army was won in 1887 with a score of 64·44; in 1888 with a score of 80·38; and this year 84·50; the 1st Grenadiers and the 7th Bombay Infantry having divided the prize. Time does not permit of my making further remarks regarding the several competitions. The names of all the winners will be heard presently, when I have the pleasure of handing them their prizes. Before concluding I desire to say that I consider the chief reason why this meeting has been so successful is because it has been so admirably organised and so energetically and judiciously carried out, and I take this opportunity of publicly thanking those who have laboured so hard for the general good. Our thanks are due to Major Parker-Jervis, Assistant Adjutant-General for Musketry, and the Musketry staff; to Major Guyon, Royal Fusiliers; the Camp Commandant and his staff; to the district staff officers and all regiments, corps, and departments at Poona and Kirkee, who have rendered so much assistance; and also to the officers, non-commissioned officers, and soldiers who have been so largely employed and have performed such continuous and heavy duty, both on the ranges and in connection with the meeting generally."

The following matches were completed to-day:—

"Poona Stakes for Native Officers"—Jamedar Lall Khan, 9th Bombay Infantry, 33 points; Jamedar Syed Hoosain, 4th Bombay Rifles, 33 points; Subedar Mirza Mahomed Beg, 9th Bombay Infantry, 33 points; Jamedar Koustan de Souza, 9th Bombay Infantry, 32 points; Subedar Jowahir Singh, 14th Bombay Infantry, 30 points, and Jamedar Limbai Donal, 26th Bombay Infantry, 30 points.

"Poona Stakes," unlimited entries.—Private Wullie Khan, Marine Battalion, 34 points; Naik Shaik Imam, 9th Bombay Infantry, 34 points; Colour Havildar Shaik Fees Mahomed, Marine Battalion, 33 points; Havildar Shaik Abdool Kadir, 9th Bombay Infantry, 33 points; and Private Shaik Rajana Gregonack, 9th Bombay Infantry, 33 points.

"The Governor's Prize," Natives, 400 and 500 yards—Colour Havildar Sheikh Cassum, 26th Bombay Infantry, 67 points; Subedar Jowahir Singh, 14th Bombay Infantry, 65 points; Havildar Sumbaji Baider, 26th Bombay Infantry, 65 points; Havildar Shaik Abdul Curreem, Marine Battalion, 65 points; and Lance Naik Kesnath Khaidji, 5th Bombay Infantry, 65 points.

"The Merchants' Prize"—Duffadar Bhagwan Singh, 6th Bombay Cavalry, 35 points; Subedar Mirza Mahomed Beg, 9th Bombay Infantry, 34 points; Havaldar Shaik Abdul Kadir, 9th Bombay Infantry; 34 points; Naik Ramkumar Singh, 26th Bombay Infantry, 34 points; Naik Rahman Khan, 26th Bombay Infantry, 34 points; and Lance Naik Jackey de Souza, 9th Bombay Infantry, 34 points.

"The Council Plate."—Volunteer Fernandes, B. B. & C. I. Volunteers, 90 points; Lance Corporal Middleton, Durham Light Infantry, 90 points; Private Whale Local, North Lancaster Regiment, 89 points; Private Brophy, Lancashire Fusiliers, 89 points; Sergeant-Major Francis, Durham Light Infantry, 89 points; and Captain Macpherson B. B. and C. I. Volunteers, 89 points.

"The Czarewitch, for Officers"—Captain Harrison 1st East Yorkshire Regiment, 34 points; Captain Macpherson, B. B. and C. I. Volunteers, 32 points; Captain Francis, 5th Bombay Light Infantry, 32 points; Lieutenant Stock, 3rd Bombay Cavalry, 31 points; Lieutenant Wilson, Durham Light Infantry, 30 points; Captain Aslett, Bombay Grenadiers, 29 points; Captain Gott, 3rd Bombay Cavalry, 29 points; Lieut. Biddulph, Durham Light Infantry, 28 points.

"The Czarewitch for Non-Commissioned Officers"—Sergeant Kitchen, 4th King's, 34 points; Staff Armourer Tooth, Ordnance Department, 34 points; Vol. Ram, Poona Volunteers, 33 points; Sergt. Walker, Durham Light Infantry, 33 points; Sergt.-Major Murray, Lancashire Fusiliers, 33 points; Private Tonscott, Middesex Regiment, 34 points; Color-Sergt. Stewart, Durham Light Infantry, 34 points; and Vol. Clarke, Poona Volunteers, 33 points.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

MARSEILLES, Dec. 18.

The Anchor Line s.s. Belgravia arrived here from Bombay on the 16th instant.

PENANG, Dec. 18.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. Gwalior, extra, left here for Bombay at daylight to-day.

HONGKONG, Dec. 18.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. Thames left here for Bombay this afternoon.

COLOMBO, Dec. 18.

The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's S. N. Co. s. s. Melpomone, from Bombay, arrived here this morning Mail steamer Rome from Australia arrived.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Dec. 17.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed dull. Surats quiet but steady.

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The Manchester Market was quiet but steady.

7 lbs. Shirtings	5 1½
8½ " "	6 4
40s Mule Twist	9½
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight	1s. 4 11-16d.
2½ per cent. Consols for account	97⅛
3 per cent. French Rentes	87½
4 per cent. Rupee paper	68½
4½ per cent. "	71½
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	107½
Bar Silver	43⅛d. per oz

THE BOMBAY YARN MARKET IN CHINA.

A CORRESPONDENT writes:—The continued unfavourable advices from China and Japan regarding the Bombay yarns have caused considerable depression in Bombay, and for upwards of two months scarcely any business in this article has been done. Though prices have receded from ¼ to 3-16 of an anna per pound, yet no disposition to buy has been manifested. It is true a few of the good mills have sold their production for future delivery, but these contracts are now on the eve of expiring, while in the meantime the China and Japan markets have been overstocked, there being about this time nearly 35,000 bales of Indian yarn there. The Chinese year is now drawing to a close, and before they resume business, they are adjusting their old accounts, and so will the Japanese do about the middle of January next. So that there is no immediate prospect of an improvement in the local yarn market. The considerate resolution of the mill-owners to work their concerns short-time by closing them for eight days in the month for three months ending with this year having been cancelled after a short trial, the result has been most unfavourable to the interests of the whole body of the Association, as the production has been very much greater than the demands of China and Japan, and though there are plenty of sellers, there are no buyers.

PRINCE ALBERT VICTOR'S TOUR.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, Dec. 16.

His Royal Highness with His Excellency Lord Connemara and the other guests staying at Government House, Guindy, attended Divine Service yesterday evening at St. George's Cathedral.

Saidapet had the honor of giving H. R. H. Prince Albert Victor the first of the many "God-Speeds" which he received this morning. At 7-15 precisely the Prince and Lord Connemara arrived under the pandal in an open carriage, and were received by Mr. Lee Warner, with whom the Prince shook hands. Both his Royal Highness and Lord Connemara spoke to several of the gentlemen present, and graciously returned the salutes of the students. Mr. Ragava Chari presented the Prince with a garland and bouquet, which his Royal Highness graciously accepted. After a stay of about five minutes, the carriages began to move off.

His Royal Highness embarked on board the B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Kistna shortly after 8-30 a.m. to-day for Rangoon, and notwithstanding the fact that the hour of departure had, at the eleventh hour been altered from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m the demonstration in his honour was joined in by everybody. The whole city presented a very gay appearance, and thousands upon thousands of people were astir from a very early hour in order to secure points of vantage along the route taken by the Royal party from Government House, Guindy, to the pier. The day has been observed as a general holiday.

Before leaving Government House, Guindy, the Prince, at the request of His Excellency the Governor, planted a Belgaum Walnut tree in Guindy Park on the west side of the house in the presence of a small gathering of ladies and gentlemen, the whole party present being subsequently photographed by Mr. Nicholas of the Mount Road.

The Royal party left Guindy, shortly after 7 o'clock, His Excellency Lord Connemara, C.I.E., driving His Royal Highness in a Victoria drawn by a pair of bay Australian horses.

The decorations on the Mount Road commenced at the Teynampett Police Station, which was prettily dressed in flags.

One of the most striking scenes was the large gathering of schools on both sides of the main Esplanade road between the level crossing and the top of Popham's Broadway, over ten thousand children with their teachers being assembled there this morning. When it was first proposed to assemble the various schools in the city at this point, on the occasion of the Prince's departure, the Managers of about 270 schools were communicated with and invited to send their children. About 230 of these replied, saying that they would bring their pupils. It was thus estimated that over 20,000 children and about 500 teachers would be present on the occasion. The children were accommodated in blocks which were numbered; there were thirty blocks in all, fifteen on each side of the road. Each school brought its own banner and other flags besides, thus adding to the gaiety of the scene. As the Prince and the Governor approached, the children clapped their hands and cheered very enthusiastically. The carriage drew up opposite the spot where the Members of the Committee and the European schools were, and the children sang the National Anthem. Though the singing could not be described as perfect, it was very creditable. Some of the Managers of the schools presented garlands of flowers, which His Royal Highness graciously accepted. The procession which had halted, now moved on amidst much cheering on the part of the assembled children.

The arrangements for H. R. H.'s reception at the pier were made by the Harbour Trust Board, and the recent additions to the shed accommodation opposite the Custom House enabled excellent arrangement to be made. The space between the two sheds was boarded over, and ample accommodation provided for nearly eight hundred persons who found welcome shelter from several showers of rain, and in a shamiana erected immediately opposite to the Custom House. All available space here was well filled, and every one was able to obtain a good view of H. R. H Prince's arrival. From the pier looking towards the shore the scene was very animated, each house along the Beach road being decorated with flags.

At 7 A.M., carriages commenced to arrive at the Pier, and to deposit their occupants who distributed themselves over the ample space provided for their reception. By 8 o'clock the shamiana, and the seats in the sheds on either side were well filled. Punctually at a quarter-past-eight, His Royal Highness arrived, accompanied by H. E. the Hight Hon'ble the Governor, having been preceded shortly before by H. E. the Naval Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Edward Fremantle, K.C.B. H. R. H. was received by Mr. McWatters, the Chairman of the Harbour Trust Board, and by Captain Street, Presidency Port Officer, the other Trustees of the harbour being also present. H. R. H was conducted by the Governor through the shamiana, and shook hands with H. H. the Prince of Arcot and other native noblemen, Rajahs, and Zemindars present, and also with several of the ladies and gentlemen who had assembled to bid him farewell. After remaining for a few minutes under the shamiana H. R. H. declining to avail himself of the State Pier carriage, walked up the pier accompanied by H. E. the Governor and the Members of Council, H. E. the Commander-in-Chief, Sir Charles Arbuthnot, H. E. the Naval Commander-in-Chief with their respective staff, Mr. McWatters, the Collector and Chairman of the Harbour Board, the Trustees, the Presidency Port Officer, and followed by all the ladies and gentlemen who had assembled in the pier enclosure.

On either side of the pier was a dense mass of Hindus and Mahomedans who covered the whole of the beach between both arms of the harbour, and who enthusiastically cheered H. R. H., as he passed. Madras had indeed turned out in force to do honour to her Royal guest and a fresh breeze from the north, with passing clouds and showers, a heavy swell rolling in, and the effect of the sunlight and shade upon the gaily decorated houses along the beach, formed a scene which has rarely, if ever, before been witnessed in Madras. There were in the harbour, the Nepaul, the Nevasa, the Chyebassa, and the Niobe, besides the Kistna, and H. M. S. Boadicea. The Admiral's steam-launch awaited H. R. H. at the Pier ladder, but owing to the very heavy swell considerable difficulty was experienced in embarking. H. R. H. evidently has a kindly feeling for the Navy for he cordially shook hands with all the naval officers present. It was also remarked that although most of those who had to get into the steam-launch seemed to find considerable difficulty in doing so, H. R. H. watched his opportunity with a practised eye and stepped in in a most seamanlike manner.

As H. R. H. entered the launch the Royal Standard was planted in her bow, and the Battery of Royal Artillery upon the beach immediately commenced to fire a royal salute, at the same time the Royal Standard was displayed from the mast head of the flagship, and the Jack Tars manned the yards, while the guns on board also thundered forth their salute. The way in which the *Boadicea* manned the yards was a treat to see, but it seemed to pass almost unnoticed so intent were all upon the Prince.

The little Kistna followed the example of the Boadicea, and the lascars manned her two little yards in a very smart manner. As H. R. H. placed his foot on her ladder the Royal Standard was hoisted at her main.

Two things especially seemed to please the thousands of natives assembled upon the beach. These were that H. R. H. walked up the Pier, and thereby gave them all an opportunity of seeing him, also that he paused and looked round upon them; and, most important of all, as a good omen, left them as he departed, the blessing of rain. Little indeed it was, but nevertheless the omen was regarded as very auspicious.

H. E. the Governor took leave of the Prince at the Pier ladder, and immediately afterwards returned to Guindy.

H. E. the Naval Commander-in-Chief escorted H. R. H. on board the Kistna, immediately after which she weighed anchor, and stood out to sea in charge of Mr. Corfield, Senior Harbour Master. The vessels in the Harbour were gaily decorated with bunting, which added greatly to the effect of the scene.

THE CATTLE SHOW AT PALUNPUR.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PALUNPUR, Dec. 16.

All is stir and bustle here. The Agricultural Show as it is to be we have never had in this "Sleepy Hollow" before; but Colonel Nutt, our Political Agent, has with his characteristic energy, perseverance, and tact got the Chiefs, the Sirdars, and his numerous friends, both here and in Kathiawar, to co-operate with him, and thus one of the finest Agricultural Shows on this side of India has been got up. It must, however, not be supposed that in this Show only horses, cattle, and agricultural and forest produce are exhibited; but the arts and manufactures of this and other neighbouring provinces are also fully represented.

The grounds for the Show are beautifully laid out near the Agency buildings, under a series of tents and shamianas, most conspicuous among which is a large and spacious shamiana for the delivery of lectures on agriculture, forestry, cattle breeding, manures, &c. In the first shamiana are exhibited a most complete collection of seeds of all sorts, grain, fresh vegetables, fruits, and forest products, also peacock feathers, tiger skins, and a few specimens of bamboo walking sticks, &c. The next tent contains cotton, cotton seeds and fibres of various sorts, wool and hairs of animals foreign to this province. Here is also found the various kinds of tobacco, both raw and cured for smoking and other purposes. The huge lumps of goorakoo, (a sweet-scented compound for smoking in hookas) however, seem to claim the greatest attention from the Mahomedan gentlemen who visited the place. Near by, on a neat stand, carefully arranged, are dyes and colours, manufactured by Mr. Byramshaw, the Forest Officer of the Palunpur State. As these dyes are obtained from products of the forests in the Palunpur State, and as they are of great commercial value I will write more in detail regarding them in my next. The next shamiana is the most interesting of all. Here are exhibited most beautiful table-cloths, screens, &c., made of wax cloth. The designs are most elaborate and artistic, and as there is a great deal of mica used in the decorations, these wax cloths appear as if they were embroidered with silver thread. They deserve to be better known to Europeans for parlour decorations. This tent also contains camel and horse saddles, bridles, bits, &c., all neatly embroidered in bright and variegated colours.

On a longer stand can also be seen leather well tanned, and what is still better very cheap and equal to the best Cawnpur leather. These are tanned and dressed in Palunpur. Boots and shoes, neatly sewn, and well-shaped with strong soles, also leather trunks, &c., are exhibited on another stand. Palunpur and the surrounding States have been celebrated from time immemorial for their sword blades, &c., made of well tempered steel; and here is found a fine collection of shikar knifes, daggers, swords, spears, &c., all of the finest steel and highly finished. There are also some ancient chain armour gauntlets, helmets, and battle axes of fine workmanship to be seen here, and lying besides them are bows and arrows of the primitive Bheels and other Robin Hoods in these parts. Many of the articles above enumerated are, however, out of date in these peaceful times, and so in the same tent are exhibited iron safes, locks, block tin boxes, &c., also copper and brass ware.

In walking about Palunpur, on the dusty sandy roads, one would conclude that stones of any kind cannot be procured, but in the Show there are exhibited all kinds of stones from marble, both white and coloured, to the lowly trap from the quarries in the Palunpur State, and conspicuous among them are tables with marble tops, both white and black. These tables are made of blackwood, beautifully carved and furnished. Other pieces of furniture, such as almirahs, writing-tables, &c., also sandalwood and ebony boxes, and toys are also exhibited, showing that the carpenters and joiners of these parts can hold their own against their brethren in other Indian provinces.

Pattun in the Gaekwar teritory, well-known for its pottery, has a prominent stand all to itself, and here are seen beautiful vases, goblets, &c., of artistic designs. These would do for table ornaments, as they are good enough to grace any drawing-room.

Kuch Bhuj has sent in a magnificent assortment of silver ware, and now that Christmas is approaching it is hoped that advantage will be taken of this opportunity to purchase some of these as presents. On an adjacent stand are to be seen gold embroidered table covers, shawls, carpets, caps, &c. These are rich beyond all description and the Chief of Palunpur, who by the way is called the Diwan, ought to be proud that such magnificent embroidered work is made in his State. Country liquor has been allotted a place in this tent. I am told that the quality is very good; but I am no *connoisseur* of this article, and so give my opinion second-hand. There are many other beautiful and useful articles in these tents, too numerous to enumerate.

In the next tent are to be seen cane work mostly done by the convicts in the Palunpur Jail, such as chairs, tiffin baskets, &c. It must be noted that this industry has been newly introduced by Col. Nutt since his advent in this province. Here are also seen khaki and shikar cloths, jools, &c., all stout and strong. The other departments of the Show I will reserve for another occasion. Every train that comes in brings up a number of European ladies and gentlemen, who are all guests of Colonel Nutt, and a number of native gentlemen and Chiefs have already come in from Kathiawar and Guzerat.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught has also graciously promised to visit the Show on his return from inspection duty at Deesa on the 19th instant, when a large number of European officers from that station will also be present. His Royal Higness will be the guest of Colonel Nutt during his stay here.

NOTES FROM GOA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

GOA, Dec. 16.

The high respect in which the High Court Judges are held by the public in general has received a rude shock, due to an ugly incident, from which the prestige of the Judicial Department will suffer considerably. It has been the subject of general comments, and I shall narrate it as concisely as I can. Mr. Crispiano, one of the Judges of the High Court, had filed a civil suit for an inheritance in the same High Court. He challenged the Chief Justice Ennes, and Judge Tavora, as suspected parties. The former accepted and the latter denied the challenge. The matter was submitted to arbitration, the proceedings being presided over by the Chief Judge Ennes on the 9th instant. Judge Lisboa, one of the arbitrators, said that the Chief Justice having acknowledged the challenge as suspected party, could not legally preside over the proceedings, but the Chief Justice contested the reasoning, and accordingly a protest was lodged, which suspended the further proceedings in this matter. So far it was formal, but as soon as this was over a regular altercation among the three Judges was observed, in which vehement words were exchanged in open court to the great surprise of the people who were present. A more deplorable spectacle by the first judicial tribunal of the country could not have been given by Judges who are supposed to be the embodiment of wisdom and patience. It is fortunate that the altercation did not extend from words to blows, though such a termination was not improbable, seeing the heat of temper in which the learned Judges were boiling. Such incidents are not rare in our High Courts, and it was said that its abolition was being proposed in Portugal owing to the scandals that have been frequently occurring among the Judges.

The Madras Government has sanctioned the expenditure of Rs. 1,000 on an experiment in rearing tasser silkworms. The report of Mr. N. M. Rego, Forest Ranger, who was deputed on special duty in connection with sericulture in the Chingleput District, is very hopeful as to the success of the experiment, and his services have been placed by Government at the disposal of the officer who is to be appointed to supervise the experiment.

A FRENCH TOURIST ON BOMBAY AND THE PARSIS.

Dr. Benjamin Anjer, Professor of the Faculty of Medicine, Paris, made a tour round the world *via* America, Japan, China, and India in 1887, and has contributed his impressions of the voyage to the *Revue Francaise*. In the November number of that journal he describes his journey from Calcutta to Aden. About Bombay and the Parsis he writes thus:—

Starting at 5 p. m. in the evening from Ahmedabad, and without halting at Surat, I arrived at Bombay the next morning, where the train put me down on the Esplanade, close to the sea-shore. While *en route* I had taken care to inquire and to make my choice of a hotel, and on landing was conducted to Watson's or the Esplanade Hotel, situated so close to the railway that I could have even marched there on foot. I was there received by a French steward, who had arrived the night previous from Adelaide in Australia. I was there installed into a room, well fitted up with all that was necessary for me.

The servants of the hotel were Hindoos and Portuguese,—the latter belonging to a race which came to the Malabar Coast, at the time of Francis Xavier, and had reigned for a long time as masters of the country, where now remains Goa alone as the only souvenir of their ancient splendour.

In no city did I receive, Shanghai excepted, a more flattering reception than at Bombay. I owe it to a circumstance which I am happy to recall. I had formerly, in making pass his examinations at the Faculty of Paris, known a young Parsi, Dr. Viccaji, who had come to our capital to take his degrees; and his recollection was present in my mind at this time. My first occupation on my arrival was, therefore, to put myself in his search. It was not at all difficult to find him; everybody knew his name in that city, where he was largely invested with public confidence. He placed himself at my disposal, and accompanied me as often as his leisure permitted him.

Bombay, the chief town of the Presidency is, looking to its importance, the true capital of India. Neither Calcutta nor Madras possess a population so numerous. The city is built at the entrance of a bay which offers good anchorage, in a small island, now-a-days joined to the continent. Other islands are to be found in its neighbourhood, particularly that of Trombay, which is close to it, and a little further on Elephanta.

The city presents the aspect of a metropolitan town of Europe. There are to be seen beautiful monuments of Saxon architecture, broad roads and avenues intersected with lines of tramway. As in Calcutta, the mode of living of the English residents there has all the appearance of pomp, which has the good effect of maintaining their prestige among the Hindoos. The harbours, the docks, the administrations, the hospitals, and the schools are all worthy marks of the actual state of European civilization there.

The animals, too, have a place of refuge for them when they become old, wounded, or sick.

It is a good and generous innovation, which runs well with the religious ideas of India, and which would do honour even to one of our capital cities. The dog, the horse, the bullock, and all other like domestic auxiliaries are treated with kind-heartedness, and when after a grave sickness these animals need little repose and good air, they are sent into the country, where a branch of this place of refuge is maintained and where their cure is achieved.

What strikes most a visitor on arriving at Bombay is the powerful colony of Parsis who reside there. Descendants of ancient Persians, worshippers of fire or of Zoroaster, they present in their exterior, full of gentlemanly appearance (*noblesse*), one of the most beautiful types of the Indo-European races.

There dress is usually the same as that of the English, only their head-dress is characteristic; it is a black hat of a tall form, which by a singular caprice of fashion is more high from behind than in front. They are all educated, and most frequently are engaged in commerce, but they are also engineers, doctors, and lawyers; in short they form an aristocratic class in the society, and I am astonished to find that the English keep them at a little distance, in their quality as (indigenous) natives of the country. For they find them (the Parsis) make good accountants, intelligent assistants, and are scrupulously honest. It is desirable, therefore, that at no distant future the English will increase the field of their activity, and permit them access to high situations.

The funeral rites of the Parsis are so often alluded to by tourists, that I need not relate here my visit to the Towers of Silence, situated to the north of the city, on a rising high ground called the *Malabar Hill*. These are the funeral monuments, where the dead bodies are devoured by the vultures, just as with the Mongolians and Thibetans; whose dead are devoured by the dogs. The internal arrangement of these towers is in the form of an amphitheatre, with seats rising by degrees, some of which are reserved for infants and others for adults. In their centre is a well or pit in which the bones are thrown after all the flesh covering them has been devoured by the vultures. The vultures, some 20 or 30 in number, keep themselves in readiness on the enclosure walls, and as soon as they feel hungry, they descend into the interior and fall upon their prey.

During the rains the water falls abundantly into these towers and causes a general washing out, but the water does not emerge outside until it has traversed a thick layer of sand and earth, which play the part of a filter.

We find here the observance of a simple precept of hygiene imposed by their religion; but I rightly fear nevertheless that the funeral usages of the Parsis do not attain completely the aim which they seek. By a special recommendation I was able to penetrate into a magnificent park raised round the towers, where the only request made to me was to stop at a respectable distance; but this did not prevent my perceiving that there were at no great distance from me the products of decomposition. The vultures with long denuded necks seemed half sleepy, and had the air of acquitting themselves of their task sluggishly.

How much more is preferable the cremation practised by the Hindoos, and we are justified in hoping that it will one day enter into the modes of the disposal of the dead in the West; but the Parsis, the worshippers of fire, consider it to be an impious work and a profanation to employ the sacred element to consume the flesh and bones of the dead. Not far off from the Tower of Silence and within the same enclosure is a fire temple, where a grand priest, clothed in white, in imitation of the antique Vestals, keeps up a fire which never extinguishes of itself.

Decidedly the worship of Zoroaster is not without a certain grandeur; it has more the majesty of divine worship (monotheism) than all the idolatories of the Hindoos. As the Esplanade Hotel is close to the seaboard, I had often an opportunity of getting up early and going to the sea-shore to watch the rising sun. There every morning I found the pious Parsis with their feet in the sea reciting the prayers and saluting the appearance of the sun which emerges from the ocean. I heard them with a concentrated attention, but without understanding them, and I shared in their emotion before the brilliant manifestation of the divine power.

One day I went to Elephanta—so celebrated for its subterranean temples. For a few rupees I hired a sailing boat, which took me there in the space of half an hour. The island is of small dimension, but as its surface is elevated into a hillock, it is necessary to ascend about a hundred steps before arriving at the plateau, where one can discover the entrance to the caves, and which was indicated formerly by an elephant of stone now destroyed. The subterranean temples have been excavated by the hand of man in a block of granite. One can penetrate them easily, and we are struck with wonder at their extent; and the great number of statues placed alongside the wall, and sculptured in the rocks, immortalize the scenes of Brahaminical Pantheon. All these marvels of art have little suffered by the action of air or the sea or from slow deposit of earth itself. They, however, bear upon them numerous marks of mutilations committed upon them formerly by the Portuguese, who like zealous Catholics thought the work of breaking the idols to be very pious.

The interest excited in me by this my visit to Elephanta, gave me the idea of employing some days at my disposal in visiting the monuments of the same kind, but more important, situated at a sufficiently long distance in the Nizam's dominions which are governed by the Raja of Hyderabad.

THE WORKING OF THE ARMS ACT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—Having read "A Bundukwalla's" letter, touching the momentous question of the Arms Act, I beg leave to say that, according to my experience, I find that the hardships and consequent complaints in connection with the working of the Act are, in a great measure, to be referred to the hostile attitude of the Sheristedars, nicknamed the Sirkar's sons-in-law. The District Magistrates are generally under the guidance of these sons-in-law, who know where to shower favours. Unless the magistrates become less subject to the guidance of those guides, and more circumspect and minute in their enquiries as to the rejection or granting of licences applied for, no better things can be hoped for.—Yours, &c.,

SPERO MELIORA.

GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION ON EDUCATION.

The following resolution on the Administration report on Education for the year 1888-89, has been issued by Government:—

The report on public instruction for 1888-89 is a record of continued progress during another year in almost every branch of education. It has again been submitted in good time, and contains in a concise form all information of interest required by Government. There are now in this Presidency 532,853 pupils under instruction in 11,732 institutions, public and private. Public institutions number 8,643 with 507,752 pupils, private institutions 3,090 with 75,101 pupils. The number of boys under instruction has risen from 500,872 to 532,043, and the number of girls from 53,526 to 60,804. Out of the total number of those who are of an age to go to school 28 per cent. of the boys and 3 per cent. of the girls are now receiving education.

2. The number of boys under instruction in public institutions has risen from 434,837 to 453,072, and the number of girls from 49,172 to 54,630, while the average monthly number of pupils on the rolls has risen from 468,358 to 484,375, and the average daily attendance from 348,217 to 361,725. The ratio of the average daily attendance to the average monthly number on the rolls is 74 for 1887-88 and 75 for 1888-89. In professional colleges there was a decrease of 30 pupils; in every other class of institution attendance rose, and the increase extended to every class in the community being particularly marked in the case of Mahomedan pupils.

3. The total expenditure of the Department was Rs. 54,53,328. This included Rs. 16,52,916 provided from provincial funds, Rs. 8,53,453 from local cess, Rs. 3,05,231 from municipal rates, and Rs. 11,54,283 from fees. Fees thus contributed 21·17 per cent. of the whole cost as compared with 20·6 in the previous year, an improvement which cannot but be regarded with satisfaction. The decline in the fee receipts of local board and municipal schools which took place in 1887-88, has been checked, and the fees collected in these institutions exhibit a general increase, except in the case of the municipal schools of the Central Division and Northern Division, where fees fell off by Rs. 27 and Rs. 919 respectively, the greatest decrease being in the Broach District. The increase in provincial expenditure is accounted for by the fact that building grants rose from Rs. 45,162 to Rs. 1,16,835. Provincial expenditure on University education fell from Rs. 2,16,501 to Rs. 1,77,658, principally owing to the withdrawal of the grant to the Fergusson College and the absence on leave of some Professors, whose leave allowances are not included in the expenditure under the head of education. On secondary schools it rose from Rs. 3,02,122 to Rs. 3,07,473, mainly owing to the growth of aided schools. On primary schools it fell from Rs. 5,42,831 to Rs. 5,25,871, owing to adjustments between Government and Local and Municipal Boards on account of arrears. On training, medical, and other special schools it rose from Rs. 2,01,421 to Rs. 2,17,976, owing to improvements in the Government institutions at Ahmedabad and Hyderabad, in the Jamshedji Jijibhai School of Art and in aided schools. The sum spent by local boards on education has fallen from Rs. 12,65,365 to Rs. 12,48,513, while municipal expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 5,24,423 as compared with Rs. 5,24,660 in 1887-88.

4. Of the total expenditure of Rs. 54,53,328, 43·6 per cent. was spent on primary education—31·5 per cent. of the provincial expenditure and 78·4 per cent. of the Municipal and Local Boards expenditure being devoted to this object. Local boards contributed Rs. 2,700, and municipalities Rs. 11,843 to Arts Colleges. Education was on the whole slightly less expensive than in 1887-88, the average annual cost of educating each pupil being Rs. 9·3, as compared with Rs. 9·4 in the previous year.

5. One new Arts College, that founded by the American Mission, was affiliated to the University during the year, making a total of ten such institutions. There was an increase of 159 students attending them, all colleges sharing in the improvement, and the fee receipts have risen from Rs. 66,545 to Rs. 70,824. Progress has been made with the new building for St. Xavier's College. The new building for the Wilson College has been completed. The Sind College has undertaken the management of the Engineering Class, which has been moved from Hyderabad to Karachi. The Gujarat College sustained a loss in the resignation of its Principal, Mr. Dalal, who entered the service of the Baroda State, but the place has been filled since the close of the year by an Oxford graduate. In the University examinations 213 candidates passed the Previous, 171 the First B.A., 78 the B.A., 8 the First B. Sc., 1 the B.Sc., and 5 the M.A. examinations, the candidates from the Elphinstone College being the most successful. In the Bombay Law School the fees rose from Rs. 7,152 to Rs. 8,600, and the attendance from 187 to 203. Out of 84 students who presented themselves for examination in Jurisprudence 80 passed, while 17 out of 31 passed the examination for the degree of LL.B. At Poona the number of students rose from 36 to 62 and the fees from Rs. 717 to Rs. 1,175. 33 out of 42 candidates passed the examination in Jurisprudence. In the Grant Medical College the attendance fell from 219 to 182 and the fees from Rs 27,884 to 20,165. This reduction in the number of students is attributed to the fact that the medical profession in Bombay is overstocked,

4,20,965, of which the municipalities pay Rs. 1,93,489. In the Central Division there was an increase of 7 schools and 269 pupils with a decline in fee receipts Rs. 27. The Inspector again reports the tendency of most of the School Boards to substitute younger and cheaper teachers for senior and experienced but more highly paid masters. It is hoped that the Department will be successful in checking this practice, which is calculated to have a deleterious effect on the advance of education. In the Northern Division there is an increase of one school, but the number of pupils has decreased by 59, and fee receipts have fallen from Rs. 18,230 to Rs. 17,311.

8. The larger municipalities are reported to be desirous of improving schools, but in the smaller towns there is a necessity for more earnest and intelligent administration. In the Southern Division there is an increase of 4 schools and 319 pupils, and the fee receipts have risen from Rs. 12,439 to Rs. 12,993. Most of the School Committees are reported to take an interest in their work. In Sind there was a decrease of 4 schools and of 700 pupils, due to the competition of aided schools and the introduction of the fee system.

9. The development of the system of aided schools has been most marked. Since the transfer of primary schools to the municipalities there has been a decrease of 4 municipal schools with 728 pupils, but an increase of 83 aided schools with 2,800 pupils. Aided primary schools have increased in the Northern Division by 7 with 627 pupils and in the Southern Division by 95 with 3,047 pupils, but in the Central Division they have fallen from 322 to 310, the number of pupils, however, having risen by 80. In Sind there has been an increase of 184 schools and 4,899 boys, the largest on record. Most of these aided schools are mosque schools. The Inspector's account of the new spirit of readiness on the part of the Mullas to avail themselves of the benefits of the Code, which he has zealously fostered, is very satisfactory. Police schools are generally doing well. In night schools there was an increase of 3 with 189 pupils, and the institutions are reported to be flourishing.

10. In Native States 30 new schools have been opened during the year. The Kathiawar schools are specially noticed for their excellence, one in particular at Bhavnagar of 800 boys being described as a model of what such a school should be. The schools in Bhor, Aundh and Phaltan remain in their previous unsatisfactory condition.

11. Female education shows but a moderate advance. The number of girls under instruction has risen from 53,526 to 60,804, but the latter number is still but 3 per cent. of the total number of girls of school-going age. The attendance in primary schools for girls was 33,643, in middle schools for girls 2,003, in high schools for girls 1,181. In the Poona Girls' High School the attendance has risen from 57 to 61, but the cost to Government of educating each pupil is also shown as having risen from Rs. 159-8-0 to Rs. 164-8-6. The reason of the latter increase is not understood and should be explained. Although the school is classed as a Government institution, Government pays only the salaries of the teachers, which, so far as the Governor in Council is aware, have not been raised. Indeed the expenditure from Provincial revenues appears to have been slightly less than in the previous year, and the average cost to Government of each pupil should *prima facie* have fallen with the increase in the number of pupils. In European and Eurasian schools for girls the attendance was 1,640 as compared with 1,741 in the previous year.

12. In connection with the education of special classes Government are glad to observe the favourable account given of the Rajkumar College at Rajkot, the Talukdari School at Wadhwan, the Scott College at Sadra and the Sardars' Class in the Rajaram College at Kolhapur. The Victoria School at Palanpur is to be re-organized. Proposals for Mirs' schools in Sind are under the consideration of Government. Meanwhile the Thaluka Board of Mirpur Khas has opened a special school for the family of His Highness Mir Fateh Khan. The fund of the Lingaya Educational Association continues to be well managed. The employment of Mahomedan Inspectors and teachers and the offer by Government and Khan Bahadur Kazi Shahabuddin of scholarships are having good effect. The Governor in Council notices with satisfaction that the number of Mahomedans receiving instruction has risen in colleges from 30 to 43, in secondary schools from 1,790 to 1,945, and in primary schools from 60,638 to 66,938, while in special schools there is a fall from 221 to 214. The Anjuman-i-Islam in Bombay has had only a moderately successful year and the Poona Anjuman has contracted rather than extended its sphere of influence. The Ahmedabad Anjuman, however, has conducted its schools with much success and the Muhabat Madrasa at Junagadh is highly spoken of. In Sind the sympathetic encouragement by the Inspector of the mosque schools has given satisfaction to all classes of Mahomedans, and the Mullas are now offering to co-operate with the department in all parts of the province. The number of children of the depressed casts who are receiving instruction has risen from 2,360 to 10,630, while for aboriginal and hill tribes the figures are 5,984, showing an increase of 140. His Excellency in Council is glad to notice the success which has attended the efforts made by the administrator of the Bajpipla State in the Rewa Kantha and by the Reverend Mr. Thompson in the Mahi Kantha to encourage education among the Bhils.

13. For convenience of reference the Director should in future devote a special section of his report to the results of European education. The returns show an attendance of 3,435 European and Eurasian boys and girls, and their education cost the provincial revenues Rs. 82,643 as compared with Rs. 68,904 in the previous year.

14. Special instruction is being imparted to 2,537 pupils as compared with 2,242 in 1887-88. Drawing classes have decreased by 4, but industrial schools have increased by 6, agricultural classes by 2, and normal schools for mistresses by 4. 8 Normal Schools for mistresses are now open with 169 pupils as against 4 with 126 in 1887-88. The Normal school at Ahmednagar continues to show excellent results. The Training College at Ahmedabad requires only a few minor adjuncts to be a model institution of the kind. The Female Training Colleges at Ahmedabad and Rajkote are favourably reported on. The re-organization of the Hyderabad Training College has been carried out satisfactorily and the prospects of the institution are bright. The Karachi Convent Normal Class is said to be doing good service. The success of the Sir J. J. School of Art, under the excellent management of Mr. Griffiths, has been marked. The farm attached to the College of Science has been transferred to the Agricultural Department, and the farms which were attached to the Nasik, Ahmednagar and Dhulia High Schools have been relinquished, so that no land is now held anywhere by the Educational Department. The Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute was opened on the 10th April by His Excellency the Governor, in the presence of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught. It has made a most satisfactory start, there being already 280 pupils on the rolls. The importance of the extension of industrial education in Sind, which is due to the zealous exertions of Mr. Jacob and Khan Bahadur Kadirdad Khan, can scarcely be overrated. The number of schools or classes in which instruction in various arts is given has risen from 5 to 13, and the number of pupils receiving such instruction from 536 to 1,057.

15. In the year under review an enquiry was instituted by the Government of India into the growth of tendencies unfavourable to discipline and favourable to irreverence among the rising generation in India. As far as was practicable the opinions of representatives of the various classes of the community on the subject were obtained and communicated to the Government of India with the views of this Government. The Government of India has recently indicated the measures which the full discussion of the subject has led it to consider expedient to check the growth of the evils which are generally admitted to exist. The extent to which it is found practicable to carry out those measures in the current year or to extend such as have already been adopted will be shown in the next report.

16. In conclusion, the Governor in Council is glad to acknowledge the energy and ability with which the Department has been administered by Mr. Chatfield and the officers under him. The encouragement given by them to aided institutions and the consequent development of the grant-in-aid system are in accordance with the policy of Government, as this system affords the best means of utilizing to the greatest advantage and with the most extensive effect the Provincial funds which are available for expenditure on education.

17. Copies of the report and of this Resolution should be forwarded to the Secretary of State and the Government of India.

J. MONTEATH,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE.

THE weekly meeting of the Standing Committee of the Bombay Corporation was held yesterday, Dr. Blaney presiding. There were also present, Col. Merewether, R.E., Messrs. K. M. Kabrajee, Javerilal Umiashunker, K. M. Shroff, Mulji Bhawanidas, Fazulbhoy Vishram, Cowasjee Hormusjee, and M. N. Banaji.

MR. BALDWIN LATHAM.

The Committee recorded the following:—Memorandum No. 14,672, dated 7th instant, from the Commissioner, forwarding, with reference to the Standing Committee's Resolution No. 5,299, dated 5th instant, copies of telegrams as under:—

"From E. C. K. Ollivant, Esq., Commissioner, Bombay.
To Baldwin Latham, Esq., Shepherd's Hotel, Cairo.
Corporation desire your services two months: agree terms stated by you in letter to Tulloch, namely, two thousand guineas, besides travelling and other expenses.—E. C. K. Ollivant, 5th December 1889."

"From Cairo, Baldwin Latham, Esq, to Bombay, E. C. K. Ollivant, Esq., Commissioner.
Arranged to come end of month."

AN IMPORTANT QUESTION AFFECTING THE HALALKHOR CESS AND WATER RATE.

The Committee considered Memorandum No. 5325, dated 9th instant, from the Municipal Secretary, forwarding letter from Sorabjee S. Bengalee Esq., C.I.E., protesting against the levy of halalkhor cess and water rate, in respect of property No. 39, Parsi Bazaar Street, and remarking that the levy of these taxes in respect of places, where halalkhor service is not required and where water is not consumed, is against the intention and spirit of the Act.

The Chairman observed that the letter was addressed to the Secretary of the Corporation and not to the Committee, and it had, therefore, better be forwarded to the Corporation. Dr. Cowasji Hormusjee pointed out that the Corporation generally referred these matters to the committee, and it would save time if the Committee were first to discuss the matter.

The Chairman asked the Committee if it was their wish that the comments which were made upon the subject of the letter should be reported. Mr. Kabraji remarked that upon similar occasions, in the past, such discussions had been reported in the newspapers, and he saw no reason why the proceedings should not, in the present case, be reported.

Mr. Banaji asked whether the Municipality would be forced to resort to law, in the matter. The Municipal Commissioner replied that the law which existed could not be altered, without going to law, his mouth was necessarily closed in the matter.

The chairman wished to speak in connection with the matter, but said he felt unable to do so unless the Committee agreed that the matter might to be reported. Mr. Banajee was, therefore, much averse to the matter being reported. Mr. Kabraji was strongly in favour of its going before the public. Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee remarked that in such cases great hardships were felt by the ratepayers, he thought that the law was bad. People were required to pay rates for services not rendered, and ratepayers should know what was being done in levying rates when no service was rendered. He was not willing to discuss the subject with closed doors.

The Municipal Commissioner observed that it was not his business to say whether the law was just or unjust, he had to carry out the law as it stood. He would, he said, withdraw from the meeting, pending the consideration of the subject. He might have to appear in Court, and he thought it undesirable to be present during the discussion. The Commissioner then withdrew. The Secretary read Mr. Bengallee's letter, addressed to him.

Mr. Bengallee stated in his letter that he owned a small property in Parsee Bazaar Street. It was a shop and godown upon which taxes were charged, although the place had never been supplied with water from the Municipality nor from the halalkhore service. He had paid the taxes under protest, and had applied for a refund from the assessor, who had refused. From Mr. Brunton's reply it would be noted that under sections 141 and 142 of the new Municipal Act, and by virtue of a judgement delivered in the Small Cause Court, the Commissioner claimed the right to levy water and halalkhore taxes upon properties where no water was used. Mr. Sorabjee supported that the levying of the taxes under the abovementioned sections, was not according to the spirit of the Act, and decidedly opposed to public feeling with regard to the number in which the Act should effect such cases. The procedure of the Municipal Commissioner to levying taxes, as in the present instance, had the effect of making those particular taxes a general tax, in many cases imposed where those who paid them gained no compensating advantage. Mr. Bengallee said the question was of small account to him, and it was merely a matter of form that he claimed that the taxes should be refunded, but the principle at stake was of great importance to the rate-paying public, and he therefore ventured to bring it before the meeting, trusting that they would give the matter all the consideration, that steps might be taken to procure an amendment of the Act, if the Corporation thought it necessary.

Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee drew the attention of the Committee to section 142 of the Act which, amongst other things, stated that section 142: "The halalkhore tax shall be levied only in respect of premises situated in any portion of the city in which public notice has been given by the Commissioner for the collection, removal, and disposal of all excrementitious and polluted matter from privies and cess-pools, &c.; will be undertaken by Municipal agency, provided that the said tax shall not be levied in respect of any premises situated in any portion of the city specified as above in and upon which in the opinion of the Commissioner no such matter accumulated or is deposited.

Dr. Cowasjee was of opinion that unless the section was modified, the authorities would be quite right in levying the taxes, as they had hitherto done. He thought the committee had no power to interfere in the matter, unless the Corporation took it upon themselves to move Government to modify the Act. He admitted that it was a great hardship that people who did not receive halalkore service should have to pay taxes for what they did not need. As far as the levy of the water tax went, the section seemed clear and there could be no dispute about that.

Mr. Javerilal thought this to be a typical case, and said that the important point raised in Mr. Bengallee's letter should receive careful attention by the committee. The point was not that the law was bad, but that it was badly worked. (Hear, hear.) Whether or not there was an accumulation or deposit of filth was a question of fact and not of conjecture. It was wrong in principle, in equity, and in law to charge for service which was never rendered, in the case of properties such as godowns and shops.

Mr. Mulji Bhabhaya had some communication with the Municipal Commissioner on an analogous subject, and he was of opinion that from the views held by the Commissioner regarding the question at issue, it would appear that all properties, including shops and godowns, should be taxed for halalkore service, exception being only made in the case of a vacant piece of land. He (Mr. Mulji) did not approve of the Municipal Commissioner exercising his discretion in the matter.

Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee corrected Dr. Cowasji, when he said that the committee had no option in the matter. According to Dr. Cowasjee, they had to abide by the opinion of the Commissioner, the courts had power to hold that the Commissioner had exercised a reasonable discretion. He thought that the law did not, as appeared from the previous section 141, absolutely require the levying of halalkore cess upon all properties, whether the service was rendered to them or not. Mr. Kabraji did not think that the law was entirely at fault. The question was whether the discretionary power given to the Commissioner had been properly exercised. He was afraid it was the law laid down by the Acting Chief Justice of the Small Cause Court that had brought all this trouble. Major Selby, who had the whole Act at his finger's ends, was of opinion that the decision of the Acting Chief Justice was entirely wrong, both regarding facts and law. The question should be discussed by the committee with a view to bringing it before the Corporation, who might, if they deemed it proper, propose an amendment of the section in question. He did not think there is so much room for amending the law, as there was vested in the discretionary power vested in the Commissioner.

Colonel Merewether enquired that supposing the committee were unanimously of opinion that the law was bad, or improperly worked, could they take any action in the matter? It seemed to him that they were discussing the matter for nothing, because he thought that the matter was entirely in the hands of the Commissioner.

The Chairman, agreeing with the last speaker, asked the committee to formulate some definite proposition. Mr. Banajee then proposed that the Commissioner should be requested to favor the committee with his opinion of the circumstances under which he would exempt properties from the imposition of the halalkore cess. Mr. Shroff having seconded the proposition, it was carried. The committee, after disposing of other business, adjourned.

HER MAJESTY has requested the Duc de Nemours to place Bushey Park at the disposal of the Emperor and Empress of Brazil, in case they may feel disposed to come to England.

NEW MACHINERY FOR THE SUN MILLS.

THE Sun Mills Company, which only a year ago was floated with a capital of about eight lakhs of rupees, have carried out some extensive works during that short time, greatly through the energy of the agents, Messrs. Assus Veerjee. It was only yesterday morning that the working of the mill was commenced with new machinery and engines, and they have introduced, for the first time into any work in India, vertical triple expansion engines, having four cylinders—one high, one intermediate and two low pressure—running at 80 revolutions per minute, and working pressure at 160 lbs. per square inch. The engines were made by the well-known engineering firm, Messrs. Musgrave and Sons of Bolton, who have supplied the company, in addition to the engines, with all the gearing and engines complete. The contract was negotiated and carried out through Messrs Serabjee Shapurjee and Company, sole agents for Messrs. Musgrave and Sons in India, by whom the work of erection and completion was executed. By introducing this kind of engine, it is expected that a great saving of fuel—at least 15 per cent.—will be effected.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES AT DADAR.

THE annual dramatic entertainment, followed by the distribution of prizes to the successful students of the Antonio Da Silva School, was held on the evening of the 14 instant, the Very Reverend Father M. A. Fonseca, Vicar of the Cathedral at Kalbadevie, presiding in the absence of Dr. Da Costa, Archbishop of Cranganore and Bishop of Damaun, who is on his ecclesiastical tour. The string band of Mr. Chas. Fredilis was in attendance. Precisely at 5-30 p.m. the curtain was raised, and a scene from Shakespeare's "King John" was exhibited on the stage. Arthur, son of Geoffry, brother to King John, was represented by a school-boy, Ernest Nicholas De Silva, a smart lad of scarcely fourteen, who did full justice to every line. Hubert was one Sebastian Leandro Lopes, not in the least inferior to Ernest in acting his part. The next piece was taken from Shakespeare's "Julius Cæsar." The clever performance is creditable to this school, seeing that the boys had to spend extra hours to prepare their parts for this occasion. The success of the evening was most remarkable, and those present candidly acknowledged it to be beyond their expectations.

A Parsi boy, named Framji Hirjibhoy Baxter, played the part of Brutus in such a way as to vie with the acting of older and more experienced actors. The oratorial flourish of the Parsi Brutus and his graceful apt, as well as the funeral oration of Anthony (I. C. Fernandes) were more than one could reasonably have expected from school boys, and were such as would reflect to the credit of the school, and speak of their future career, as public speakers. The rest of the actors also conducted themselves admirably. On the whole, it was a brilliant success, which commanded the hearty approbation of all present. The dramatic entertainment being over, Master D. F. DeSouza ascended the stage and recited a speech in Portuguese, which was rendered with much fluency, and in a manner which drew the universal applause of the audience.

Mr. S. J. E'Abreo, one of the secretaries of the institution, read the school report, in which he alluded to the lamentable death of the late highly esteemed head master, Mr. P. V. Rowe, B. A.

After the conclusion of the distribution of the prizes the Very Reverend Father M. A. Fonseca delivered an eloquent and impressive address in English.

The twenty-first annual report on the Antonio de Silva School, Dadar, for the year 1889, was submitted.

We close with 422 boys on the rolls in the year under report as against 425 in the preceding year. It gives us pleasure to be able to testify to the good conduct, application and regularity of the students generally, and we hope parents and guardians will co-operate with the teachers by exercising greater supervision in the home studies of the children. The health of our boys, we are glad to state, has been good throughout the year. Two boys from our school have this year been sent up for the matriculation examination. The annual inspection of our school for the current official year will take place in the latter part of January 1890. We have much pleasure in subjoining a transcription of the notes recorded by Mr. T. B. Kirkham, Educational Inspector, Central Division, on the inspection of our school for the year 1888-89, *viz.* "The R. C. schools at Mahim were found in their usual efficiency. The attendance in both schools had suffered from the prevalence of fever, but this misfortune had in no way affected the efficiency of the education given." It is our unpleasant duty to have to record here the death in the prime of his life of Mr. Paul Valentine Rowe, B.A., the late much lamented head master, which sad event occurred on the 8th of July last. Mr. Rowe joined the school in April 1877, and during the period which extended over 12 years, he co-operated with the school committee in raising the school to its present efficient condition by his intelligence, zeal, and perseverance and that his amiable disposition and sense of justice endeared him to the school committee teachers and the students. During the year scholarships were awarded to the following pupils:—

Class VII.—Ernest Nicholas De Silva (once), Salvador Pinto (six times), and Framji Hirjibhoy Baxter (once).

Class VI.—Hari Gangadhar (thrice), Gajanan Kashinath Desai (thrice), Ignatius F. Cordeiro (once), and Alexander Valles (once).

Class V.—F. A. Fernandes (once), Andrew Gonsalves (four times), John Ignatius D'Mello (once), John Manuel Gomes (once), and Anthony Francis Rozario (once).

Class IV.—Anthony Fernandes (seven times), and Pherozsha Dinsha Davur (once).

Class III.—Dominic F. D'Souza (5 times), Narayan Simboor (twice), and Noor Mahmad Ahmed (once.)

Class II.—Kashinath J. Vaydia (thrice), Chrysostimo Rodrigues (twice), Francis D'Miranda (once), Vittorino Francis Fernandes (once), and Braz Manuel Dias (once).

Class I.—Manoel Nunes (four times), John Francis Fernandes (once), Bonaventure Dias (once), Ramnath Bhoka (once), and Dominic Anastasio D'Mello (once).

Class Preparatory.—Mahamad Suliman (once) Joseph Michael D'Azuiar (twice), Narsoo Narayan Bhagut (four times), and Vincent Nunes (once).

The Very Rev. J. B. Fernandes' prizes have been awarded to Ernest Nicholas de Silva and Domingos Francis de Souza. The school, which was closed for the Christmas vacation on the 11th instant, re-opens on the 7th of January 1890. Parents and guardians will please send their children to school on that date. In concusion, we have the pleasure of tendering our sincerest thanks to the Rev. Fathers and to the ladies and gentlemen who have done us the honour to be present on this occasion.

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Bailey presided at a sitting of the Court yesterday, when the following, among other matters, were disposed of:—

RE VARAJLAL NARANDAS.

Mr. Mankar, for the insolvent, applied for an extension of the interim order for two months, which was granted.

RE JANARDHAN GUNGADUR.

Mr. Dhairyavan, on behalf of the insolvent, applied for an extension of the interim order for one month, which was granted.

RE GOPALRAO NAVARANGHI.

On the application of Mr. Mankar, the insolvent was granted an interim order.

RE RAMCHUNDER SOONDERJEE.

Mr. Mankar applied for an extension of the interim order on the ground that the case had been transferred to the opposed list. His lordship granted an extension for two months.

RE HIRJIBHAI *alias* HIRANANDJEE MUMOO DANIEL.

Mr. Mankar, on behalf of the insolvent, a driver on the G. I. P. Railay, moved for the usual rule *nisi* for a discharge, which was granted.

RE RUKHMAJEE SUCCARAM.

Mr. Dhairyavan moved for the insolvent's final discharge under section 60 of the Act. A creditor opposed the application, on the ground that the amended schedule did not give particulars of the insolvent's mortgaged property. His lordship ordered the insolvent to amend his schedule with respect to the mortgaged property, granting him at the same time an extension of his interim order for a month.

PETITIONS DISMISSED.

The petitions of Drochand Dyal, Ramchunder Vasudeojee Naik, and Mahomed Ahmed Chairavi Arab were dismissed for non-appearance and want of prosecution.

DISCHARGES.

The undermentioned insolvents were granted discharges:—Oodowjee Ramjee, Cassum Ali Mahomed Ali Bora, Maganlal Achratlal, Goolam Hoosein Moosabhoy, Bulwantrao Mahipatrao Dalvi, Goolam Hoosein Hajee Ebrahim, and Vishram Nathoo and another.

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STATE RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION IN BURMAH.

A BURMA trader writing to the *Times* on the above subject says:—The prominence which you have for the past four years given to Burmese affairs, and the uniform accuracy of your information must be my excuse for addressing you on a subject which, though not possibly of universal interest, is of importance as showing the policy of our administration in this province.

The Toungoo-Mandalay State Railway, connecting Mandalay with Rangoon, was undertaken some time after the annexation of Upper Burmah, with a view to further the settlement of the country, by providing work for the starving peasantry, and also to open up centres of agricultural industry hitherto inaccessible to the civilizing influence of trade. These were its sole *raisons d'etre* for, so far as Mandalay itself was concerned, that city already possessed a water communication with Rangoon and riverine stations with a daily service of steamers probably second to no inland vessels afloat.

It cannot be denied that the first portion of the Government's intention was fulfilled; the local expenditure of large sums of money had its effect and the districts through which the railway runs are conspicuous in the public records for their freedom from crime as compared with other parts of the country at a distance from river or railway. But as regards opening up interior communications the second portion of the original programme has been no way carried out, but, instead, the railway administration appears to be engaged in an unworthy war of competition with the existing river carriers to the detriment of those who like myself, are outside the zone of rivalry.

In the published railway rates a graduated mileage scale for the carriage of goods according to distance is shown, which is perfectly equitable; but as a rider a special reduction scale is quoted for all stations where the railway is likely to come into competition with river carriage. This reduction prevails north of Yamethin (to which place the maximum rate is maintained) and varies from 2 per cent. to 50 per cent. on scheduled rates, the reduction being greater in proportion to the increased distance the goods are conveyed, and culminates at Mandalay, the terminal station, where the lowest rate prevails. I need not point out that these differences would be sufficient to alter the balance of profit and loss, and in these days of keen competition, where prices are measured by sixteenths of a penny the trader at Mandalay, though farther from his market, must inevitably distance his Yamethin competitor.

It may be argued that these differential rates are in existence on every railway in England, but this can be answered by the statement that English railways were constructed, and are run solely for direct profit, while State railways are intended to open up hitherto inaccessible interiors, and, by affording equal facilities to traders, to induce that circulation of capital which would do more to pacify a newly-conquered country than the bayonets of half-a-dozen regiments.

Yamethin is the centre of a large agricultural district, and enormous quantities of produce pour into its bazaars, but under the system I have detailed its traders and agriculturalists are unduly handicapped when, under equal taxation and being nearer the Burmah littoral, they are clearly entitled to equal, if not better, freight rates than the inhabitants of the country surrounding Mandalay, 112 miles further north.

Such a procedure as that adopted by the Burmah State Railway prevails in no railway system in India, and its injustice must be obvious even to the most prejudiced advocates of Government State railway extension. A Government with its facilities of credit and of construction, and possessing powers far in excess of any granted to a private company, is bound in common justice to treat its subjects equally, and not handicap the producer in the interior, whilst carrying at cheaper rates for the riverine trader 100 miles farther away. The latter, as already shown, possesses opportunities of carriage which Nature denies to his less-favoured brother.

That State railways should show fair returns on original outlay is but reasonable, but it is unjustifiable of an Administration to persist in granting preferential rates to favoured districts that want them least, merely for the sake of competition with private enterprise, and to enable its officials to gain a temporary reputation by showing a direct profit on the working of the railway, entirely ignoring the loss to the country at large by interference with the due course of trade.

GUARDS' MEMORIAL AT BROMPTON.

THERE was a large attendance on Tuesday, the 25th ult. at Brompton Cemetery to witness the unveiling by General Sir F. C. A. Stephenson, G.C.B., of a memorial to the soldiers of the Brigade of Guards who are buried there. The proceedings were of an impressive character, and there being a large muster of the different regiments composing the brigade, it was specially attractive to the civilians who thronged that portion of the cemetery. Six hundred men were present, representing the Grenadier and Scots Guards. The Coldstreamers, being at Dublin and the Tower, were only represented by some of their officers. An interesting feature was the attendance of a number of girls from the Guards' Industrial Homes, in their scarlet cloaks. The bands and pipers of the Guards were also on the ground, though the band of the Grenadiers alone supplied the music for the short service which was conducted by the Rev. W. F. R. Buckle, chaplain to the forces. Gen. Sir. F. C A. Stephenson arrived punctually at 11 o'clock, accompanied by a large number of officers. Among them were Generals Lord W. Seymour, Sir. W. A. Higginson, the Hon. R. Monck, R. White, H. Moncrieff, P. Smith, C. B., and W. J. Gascoigne; Colonels Lord A. Wellesley, G. T. Wigram, H. H. D. Stracey, C. S. Corkran, and the Hon. H. F. Eaton; Major F. W. Romilly, D.S.O.; Captain Ricardo (Brigade Major) and Lieutenant the Hon. R. Somerset. The covering of the memorial was at once removed, revealing a large cross in Sicilian marble, resting on a granite base, with cannon balls at the corners, and old bronze guns from Woolwich on each side. It bore the inscription:—"Tria juncta in uno. To the memory of the soldiers of the Brigade of Guards buried here since 1854, this cross is dedicated by their comrades, A.D. 1889." After a short service, Colonel Eaton, addressing General Stephenson, said that some years ago General Moncrieff started the idea of erecting this memorial, but as he left the brigade it was not carried out. Last year he (Colonel Eaton) undertook to collect the subscriptions, and about £500 was contributed. Every officer serving in the brigade had contributed, and 150 old officers. He had not been able to complete the laying-out of the ground, in which about 1000 old soldiers of the Guards were buried, but he hoped to do that next year, and surround it with a railing. General Stephenson, in a short speech, said it was a splendid monument, by which they were doing honour to their old comrades, and it would be not only a record of the fellowship and comradeship existing throughout the brigade, but would assure those still living that when they were called away they would not be forgotten. There were many monuments in different parts of the world to show who had lost their lives while in active service. There were monuments in the South of France, in the Crimea, and in Egypt, while at home there was a splendid collection of monuments, which was the pride and glory of every Guardsman, and which was unrivalled by any army in the world. Great honour was due to those who had got up this memorial, and to those who had subscribed so liberally to it. One important point was that it was not got up by a battalion or regiment, but by the whole brigade. They all knew the value of that regimental feeling which united them in one bond of union; but when that feeling existed throughout a brigade it became a force of great value. Colonel Wigram thanked General Stephenson for his attendance, and alluding to his services abroad, said that General Stephenson, himself a true type of the gallant but modest soldier, was the fittest man to unveil a soldier's monument. General Stephenson expressed his thanks, and the proceedings were brought to a close. The monument has been constructed by Messrs. Burke, of Newman-street, Oxford-street. It is said to be the largest cross ever cut from one piece of marble.

MADRAS.

THE SMITHFIELD MARKET.—Differences have arisen between the Madras Municipality and the lessee of this market, situated at Vepery, says the *Madras Mail*, owing to certain restrictions having been placed lately upon the lessee, which have resulted in a considerable diminution in the number of stall-keepers, chiefly in the vegetable section of the market, and consequently resulted in a loss of income to the lessee. The lessee therefore has refused to pay his monthly rental of Rs. 300, on the ground that the restrictions above referred to have been carried out subsequent to his lease with the Municipality, whom he contends should leave matters in connection with the market *in statu quo* till his agreement expires. Lawyer's notices have passed between the lessee and the Municipality, which it is expected will terminate in a heavy civil suits entailing costly legal expenditure upon the already impecunious exchequer of the Madras Municipality.

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A BALLAD OF EAST AND WEST.

KAMAL is out with twenty men to raise the Border side,
And he has lifted the Colonel's mare that is the Colonel's pride:
He has lifted her out of the stable-door between the dawn and the day.
And turned the calkins upon her feet, and ridden her far away.
Then up and spoke the Colonel's son that led a troop of the Guides:
"Is there never a man of all my men can say where Kamal hides?"
Then up and spoke Mahommed Khan, the son of the Ressaldar,
"If ye know the track of the morning-mist, ye know where his pickets are.
"At dusk he harries the Abazai—at dawn he is into Bonair—
"But he must go by Fort Monroe to his own place to fare,
"So if ye gallop to Fort Monroe as fast as a bird can fly,
"By the favour of God ye may cut him off ere he win to the Tongue of Jagai.
"But if he be passed the Tongue of Jagai, right swiftly turn ye then,
"For the length and the breadth of that grisly plain, is sown with Kamal's men."
The Colonel's son has taken a horse, and a raw rough dun was he,
With the mouth of a bell and the heart of Hell, and the head of the gallows-tree.
The Colonel's son to the Fort has won, they bid him stay to eat—
Who rides at the tail of a Border thief, he sits not long at his meat.
He's up and away from Fort Monroe as fast as he can fly,
Till he was aware of his father's mare in the gut of the Tongue of Jagai,
Till he was aware of his father's mare with Kamal upon her back,
And when he could spy the white of her eye, he made the pistol crack.
He has fired once, he has fired twice, but the whistling ball went wide.
"Ye shoot like a soldier" Kamal said "Show now if ye can ride."
It's up and over the Tongue of Jagai, as blown dust-devils go,
The dun he fled like a stag of ten, but the mare like a barren doe.
The dun he leaned against the bit and slugged his head above,
But the red mare played with the snaffle-bars as a lady plays with a glove.
They have ridden the low moon out of the sky, their hoofs drum up the dawn,
The dun he went like a wounded bull, but the mare like a new-roused fawn.
The dun he fell at a water-course—in a woful heap fell he,—
And Kamal has turned the red mare back, and pulled the rider free.
He has knocked the pistol out of his hand—small room was there to strive—
"'Twas only by favour of mine," quoth he, "ye rode so long alive;
There was not a rock for twenty mile, there was not a clump of three,
"But covered a man of my own men with his rifle cocked on his knee.
"If I had raised my bridle hand, as I have held it low
"The little jackals that flee so fast were feasting all in a row;
"If I had bowed my head on my breast, as I have held it high,
"The kite that whistles above us now were gorged till she could not fly."
Lightly answered the Colonel's son:—Do good to bird and beast,
"But count who come for the broken meats before thou makest a feast.
"If there should follow a thousand swords to carry my bones away,
"Be like the price of a jackal's meal were more than a thief could pay.
"They will feed their horse on the standing crop, their men on the garnered grain,
"The thatch of the byres will serve their fires when all the cattle are slain.
"But if thou thinkest the price be fair, and thy brethren wait to sup.
"The hound is kin to the jackal-spawn,—howl, dog, and call them up!
"And if thou thinkest the price be high, in steer and gear and stack,
"Give me my father's mare again, and I'll fight my own way back!"
Kamal has gripped him by the hand and set him upon his feet.
"No talk shall be of dogs," said he, "when wolf and grey wolf meet.
"May I eat dirt if thou hast hurt of me in deed or breath.
"What dam of lances brought thee forth to jest at the dawn with Death?"
Lightly answered the Colonel's son: "I hold by the blood of my clan;
"Take up the mare for my father's gift—she will carry no better man!"
The red mare ran to the Colonel's son, and nuzzled against his breast,
"We be two strong men," said Kamal then, "but she loveth the younger best.
"So she shall go with a lifter's dower, my turquoise-studded rein,
"My broidered saddle and saddle-cloth, and silver stirrups twain."
The Colonel's son a pistol drew and held it muzzle end,
"Ye have taken the one from a foe," said he; "will ye take the mate from a friend?"
"Gift for a gift," said Kamal straight; "a limb for the risk of a limb.
"Thy father has sent his son to me. I'll send my son to him!"
With that he whistled his only son that dropped from a mountain-crest—
He trod the ling like a buck in spring and he looked like a lance in rest,
"Now here is thy master," Kamal said "who leads a troop of the Guides,
"And thou must ride at his left side as shield to shoulder rides.
"Till Death or I cut loose the tie, at camp and board and bed,
"Thy life is his—thy fate it is to guard him with thy head.
"And thou must eat the White Queen's meat, and all her foes are thine,
"And thou must harry thy father's hold for the peace of the Borderaline,
"And thou must make a trooper tough, and hack thy way to power—
"Belike they will raise thee to Ressaldar when I am hanged in Peshawar."
They have looked each other between the eyes, and there found no fault,
They have taken the Oath of the Brother-in-Blood on leaven bread and salt;
The have taken the Oath of the Brother-in-Blood on fire and fresh-cut sod,
On the hilt and the haft of the Khyber knife, and the Wondrous names of God.
The Colonel's son he rides the mare and Kamal's boy the dun,
And two have come back to Fort Monroe where there went forth but one.
And when they drew to the Quarter-Guard, full twenty swords flew clear—
There was not a man but carried his feud with the blood of the mountaineer.
"Ha' done! ha' done!" said the Colonel's son.
"Put up the steel at your sides!
"Last night ye had struck at a Border thief—to-night' tis a man of the Guides!"
Oh, east is east, and west is west, and never the two shall meet
Till earth and sky stand presently at God's great Judgment Seat.
But there is neither east nor west, border or breed or birth,
When two strong men stand face to face, though they come from the ends of the earth.

YUSSUF, *in Macmillan's Magazine.*

THERE was an interesting but stormy debate in the Diet of Bohemia on Tuesday, the 26th ult., on a proposal for erecting a commemorative tablet in the museum of Prague to the martyr John Huss. The motion was supported by the young Czech party, but opposed by the old Czech Conservatives. One of the latter, a professor of theology, remarked that John Huss must be considered as the incarnation of resistance to the Roman Catholic Church, and that he had been the bearer of an incendiary torch which had spread ruin and desolation throughout Europe. Upon this several members cried out excitedly, "You would burn Huss today if he were still alive." After this Prince Charles Schwarzenberg raised a storm by reminding the Diet that he was a descendant of those Rosenbergs whose crest had been the emblem of the Catholics in their war against the Hussites. The Prince said, "their were few honest men among the Hussites, and they soon became a band of mere brigands."

THE SUEZ CANAL.

A CORRESPONDENT, writing to the *Times* on the creation of the navigation of the Suez Canal by night, says:—A meeting of the members of the Consultative Commission charged with the supervision of the works for the widening and deepening of the Suez Canal was held in Paris this week, (ending Nov. 30.) Being a member of that Commission it has appeared to me that among the various details placed before us there was one fact of sufficient public interest, both from an Imperial and colonial point of view, to justify my asking for a portion of your valuable space to mention it.

The fact to which I refer is this:—There was submitted to the Commission a tabular statement showing that in the year 1888 the time occupied in passing through the Canal by vessels not using the electric light was 37 hours 57 minutes on the average of the whole year, whereas the average time occupied during the same period by vessels using the electric light, and thus being able to navigate the canal by night, was 22 hours 32 minutes. It will thus be seen that in the year 1888 there resulted a saving of time of no less than 40 per cent. by the use of the electric light. This great saving of time is very satisfactory, and its value in the way of increasing the car

SPORTING NOTES.

The Newmarket horse watchers are already talking about the merits of certain smart yearlings that will soon be in active work for their early spring engagements. I hear, says the *Hawk*, that a sister to Semoline, in G. Dawson's string at Heat House, has more size and substance than her elder relative, and should turn out to be as good, if looks go for anything. The youngsters in Hayhoe's string are a grand looking lot, and should win a number of races next year. The young Tristans show good quality as well as size, and there is a beautiful chestnut colt by Sir Bevys that should race.

The Grand National Hurdle Race is now but the shadow of its former self. Instituted in 1867, it was first won by a very smart four-year-old named Steamboat, on whom Jim Adams had the mount, says Mr. J. Walton. In fact, Adams fairly carried away the honors of the meeting that year, for he also rode Chimney Sweep, the winner of the Great Metropolitan Steeplechase, the other big event on the programme. It is a 22 years ago to a day since the redoubtable James squeezed Steamboat home in front of Moose, Owen Roe, and nine others.

Mr. Adams is now a trainer at Epsom, with somewhere about 50 horses under his care; and George Waddington, who also rode in both the hurdle race and steeplechase, I saw in the paddock at Liverpool only three weeks ago, albeit he is seldom in the pigskin now. Mr. George Walker, who steered Pensioner in the Great Metropolitan, still owns a few smart hunters, and rides them with unfailing nerve and fine judgment; and "Mr. Thomas," who was on £ S. D., is yet, it is understood the Grand National Hunt Inspector of Courses.

The individual, says *Truth's* sporting man, who set about the story of "a member of a Pall-mall club" who, having vowed to follow Colonel North's horses, "pocketed the nice little sum of £60,000" by the Liverpool victory of Philomel, surely must be a fine specimen of the moonscalf. Except the owner of the mare, who persisted in backing her, there is not a single person in existence who won 60,000 shillings by Philomel, and at no time in the history of the race could £60,000 have been won over the Liverpool Cup.

"Fallow Chat" is, says a gossip, a technical name for the wheatear, a bird about the size of larks, but a lighter brown color, diversified with white feathers, and they are to be seen in great quantities during the autumn on the South Downs around Brighton. The catching of these birds among the poorer inhabitants of the town named, is a profitable employment as they fetch good prices, and are easily taken by the means of horsehair nooses sunk in small trenches cut in the ground, and covered over again by grass.

An interesting contest took place for the Grand National Hurdle Race in 1875 between the two best hurdle racers that were ever saddled for action. The brace referred to were Chandos and Hampton. Great horse as Hampton was, he made only a poor fight of it with Chandos, who gave him a ten lengths' beating. Noteworthy is it that in the race referred to, Chandos was ridden by J. Jewitt, now trainer for Captain Machell. Hampton was the mount of Robert I' Anson, now clerk of the course at Sandown Park, and well-known as handicapper and starter at many meetings.

It seems likely that the boxing question will exercise the mind of the Home Secretary in a more severe way than he possibly contemplated. At least, one gentleman in official authority has declared that the action of Mr. Monro is wholly without precedent. He has also remarked that boxers have as much right to be protected in the exercise of their business as have the Salvation Army and the Lord Mayor's Show.

Joe Rudd, at one time a well-known cross-country jockey, died on Sunday the 24th ult. For some time he has trained at Richard's Castle, Ludlow—where, by the way, the Colonel and the Liberator, two Grand National winners, were prepared for their engagements—and old Joe Rudd was both popular and respected in the district. His wife was the eldest daughter of Bob Sly, who trained the Colonel.

The Grand Prix bids fair to be a really great race next year, as, in addition to Alicante and Signorina, most of the two-year-olds which have distinguished themselves in turn are engaged, and also Le Nord and Vermillon (both nominated by their breeder, M. Lefevre), Heaume, Delaval, Loup, Fear, Disgrace, Riviera, Surefoot, and Mr. White's two Australian colts.

Several of the animals which Count Lehndorf purchased at Newmarket during the October meetings have just been sold at Berlin. Rosedale, the two-year-old which belonged to Lord Falmouth, was bought for 1,100 gs., but at Berlin she fetched only £900, and was purchased by Herr N. von Oertzen, who intends to race her next season.

Lord Carysford has been having a big shoot in his Arklow preserves. Pheasants were very numerous, and over 1,400 were bagged in four days. Prince Edward of Saxe-Weimar was the honored guest, and several good shots and smart folk were invited to meet him.

Mr. John Hammond takes little or no interest in our national pastimes other than racing, although at one time Fred Archer, who was a wonder across country, "kidded" him to hunt with the Drag, but the second fall was sufficient to drive him out of the field of sport altogether.

Janissary, by Isonomy out of Jannette, and trained by Golding at Newmarket, has been introduced in the Derby betting recently at 33 to 1. The sire is a horse whose fame on the Turf will live for ever, while the dam will be remembered as the winner of the St. Leger in 1878.

The continuance of heavy betting amongst certain jockeys during the past season, says "Pavo," became so publicly talked about at Newmarket as to call forth renewed action on the part of the authorities, which will apply with equal force to their commissioners and "sleeping partners" of both high and low degree.

The Duke of Portland has decided to relegate Melanion to the stud. This horse, who is half-brother, by Hermit, to Ayrshire, has never been really sound, but I believe that at one time he was tried to be very nearly as good as Donovan.

Amazon, the winner of the French Omnium, has been sent to Newmarket to lead Baron Rothschild's two-year-olds in their work when they begin their preparation for the great stakes of next spring.

Count Tassilo Festetics contemplates removing his racing stud from Hungary to Newmarket, where he has frequently kept some horses in training.

Mr. W. H. Goschen, son of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who had his arm broken recently while playing football, has been obliged to withdraw for the remainder of the term from New College, Oxford, on this account.

It is stated that Tom Cannon will very seldom be seen in the saddle in public next year, as he intends, says the *Sporting Review*, to devote his future to assisting Olding in the management of the Danebury breeding and training establishment.

H. W. Lawson, M.P., at a cricket club's dinner said he had never lost his early love for the great national game of cricket, though he never had a most sensational career. Usually his innings were very short and his score was generally round.

M. Lupin, the Nester of the European Turf, heads the list of French winning owners this year, his horses having won stakes to the amount of £22,800. Last year M. Lupin was third with £17,500, and in 1887 he was fourth with £11,400.

Mr. Belmont, the American racehorse owner, is on the look out for an English light-weight jockey. The best Yankee jockeys are heavy weights, and they won't reduce themselves.

Silverwood has now won the Selling Hunters Flat Race at Leicester two years in succession, and Unripe has been second on each occasion.

It is just on the cards that old John Osborne, who is nearer 60 and 50, will ride for Ryan's stable next year when the weights suit.

It is now, it is said certain that Sullivan and Jackson will meet. When they do, the fight will be worth seeing.

The billiard handicap at the clubs will soon be in full swing. A lot of speculation takes place over individual games.

Colonel North has decided to reserve his grey hound Fullerton for the Kempton Park Champion Stakes.

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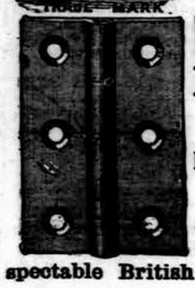

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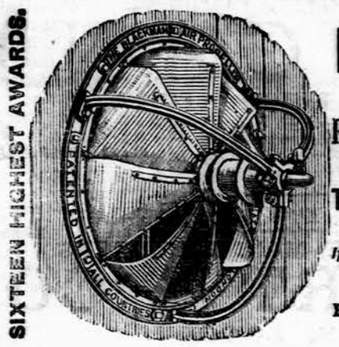

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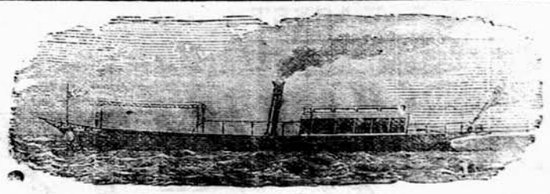

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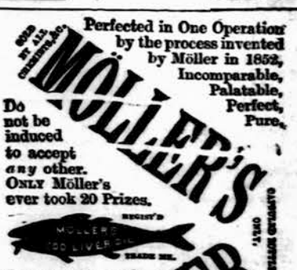

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